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Sports psychologist studies the practice of perfectionism

KRISTINE OWRAM
Associate News Editor

In the world of sports, it is generally held that an athlete won't make it to the top unless that athlete is a perfectionist. But perfectionism can also be a recipe for failure.

Dr John Dunn, sports psychologist for the U of A Golden Bears hockey team until last year, has discovered there is a "good" form of perfectionism and a "bad" form of perfectionism.

The good form, known as adaptive perfectionism, drives athletes to work hard, push their limits, and strive for attainable goals. The bad form, maladaptive perfectionism, can lead to

psychological problems as minor stress and as serious as depression and suicide.

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DR JOHN DUNN,
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PHYS ED

Dunn, who is also an associate professor of physical education at the U of A, collaborated with two colleagues in studying 174 of the best under-19 football players in the country at a competition known as the Football Canada Cup.

His interest in the study stemmed mainly from a desire to find out what qualities an athlete needs to make it to the top.

"If you look at the literature and listen to high-performance athletes, there's a feeling out there that the best of the best are perfectionists, but what's important to realize is that even maladaptive perfectionists can make it to the top," he said.

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Juice company CEO boosts hiring potential

JHENIFER PABILANO
News Editor

During the first session of the SU's From Backpack to Briefcase lecture series in SUB on Wednesday, Booster Juice co-founder and CEO Dale Wishevan shared career advice with U of A students, offering them concrete tips about being an entrepreneur.

As head of Booster Juice, the rapidly growing Edmonton-based juice and smoothie bar franchise, Wishevan outlined several principles he used in developing the company as a successful venture. Starting three years ago, Booster Juice has grown from one store in Sherwood Park to 75 stores in western Canada and Ontario with over \$18 million in sales last year, making it 2002's fastest growing franchise in Canada.

Ensuring there is a mission to accomplish is essential to success, said Wishevan, citing Booster Juice's mission statement, which describes the store's determination to provide a convenient, healthy meal alternative.

Maintaining a focus on that mission, he said, was also an element to success.

"For me, it was in the first year [Booster Juice] had opportunities to go international with offers from Europe, Down Under, South America. For me, [maintaining a focus] was saying, no, I'm going to stay on my course and focus on Western Canada."

Setting goals and accomplishing them step-by-step is vital to making dreams an achievable reality, he said.

"Execute details, that's my professional way of saying, be a doer, don't be a dreamer," said Wishevan. "It's OK to dream: I dreamt for awhile when Booster Juice started, but as soon as we got into Booster Juice, I started

working on the details. If you don't make your own opportunities, it'll never happen."

Wishevan cited motivation as a fundamental concept. Desiring success and being passionate about your job are crucial aspects to actually succeeding. But having fun with the work is critical, he said.

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DALE WISHEVAN,
CEO, BOOSTER JUICE

"Be happy and make sure you wake up every single morning knowing your day will be fun," he said.

ENGINEERING SUCCESS

Wishevan also spoke about the remarkable development of Booster Juice, providing some insight into the successful business.

The company started in 1999 after Wishevan and Jon Amack, an American, decided to enter the juice bar market in Canada. Wishevan had attended university in Portland, Oregon after a year at the U of A, and met Amack at a college course.

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CARY WILLIAMS

CAREER BOOSTER Booster Juice CEO Dale Wishevan shares career advice.



9 It's the hockey issue—inadvertently, of course. The sports section follows the Bears, Pandas, the NHL trade deadline and the state of the game. See pages nine through eleven.

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Source: Environment Canada



From the archives

Already privileged to have brushed Deanna Troi's bum, embrace Scotty, and have his hand stomped upon by Riker, Goldwyn writer Fish Grinkowsky had a chance meeting with Michael Dorn (Worf) at an Edmonton Star Trek convention. After taking a potty break from the auctions, trivia contests and pungent body odour of the convention, Grinkowsky stumbled upon the sometime Klingon outside the washrooms. A starttruck. Grinkowsky described the encounter: "Our hands met and I fell in love with his dark engina."

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20 Film-lovers and camera dorks rejoice! The Edmonton International Film Festival rolls into town on Friday. See today's A&E section for the skinny on cinny.

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TO BE THE BEST There's a right and a wrong way to shoot for the top, says sports psychologist Jon Dunn.

Athletic perfectionism can have negative side effects, says sports psychologist

PERFECTIONISM • CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

The difference, however, is that maladaptive perfectionists don't tend to stay up there as long, as they strive to meet the goals of other people, and whether these goals are real or imagined, the pressure often becomes too much.

"What we found is that maladaptive perfectionists are highly concerned about making mistakes, but they're also highly concerned about how other people in the social environment view their performance," said Dunn. "They feel it's hard to live up to the standards role models such as coaches and parents set for them, and therefore they feel this enormous amount of social pressure in the performance environment."

This pressure can lead to breakdowns and despair, often causing ath-

letes to drop out of their profession altogether.

In contrast, adaptive perfectionists strive only to reach their own goals, not the goals set for them by other people.

"These people have high personal standards," said Dunn. "They strive to achieve their goals but they don't get hung up on mistakes. They don't worry about how other people in their social environment perceive their performance. Instead they are very self-oriented."

So what causes an athlete to become a maladaptive perfectionist?

"A lot of the theorists believe that [maladaptive perfectionism] is based upon their family upbringing as a child, and they suggest there is immense pressure put on the child by their parents, to the point where

parents withheld their love and it was conditional upon the child meeting their expectations," said Dunn. "Everything becomes socially driven, so [the athletes] still work hard to achieve goals, but they're not working hard to meet their own goals, they're working hard to please someone else."

The best way to prevent maladaptive perfectionism, said Dunn, is to reward effort and not necessarily success.

"Let's face it: nine times out of ten we don't get the desired outcome. Now, I'm not saying outcome isn't important, but let's start rewarding effort more, let's teach athletes what realistic and unrealistic goals are," he said.

"You don't climb the ladder in one huge step, you climb it in lots of little steps."

up two suspects on the third floor. One was arrested and was later discovered to have outstanding warrants. The other escaped apprehension. The case is under investigation.

CAMPUS CRIME BEAT

Compiled by **Barrie Tanner**
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JUST CAN'T TRUST THOSE PEANUT BOYS

On February 11 a.m., numerous wallets, keys and sets of clothes were stolen from several Clare Drake change rooms. It has been a recurring problem over the past month and a half. Skaters are advised to leave their valuables at home or bring a wallet bag to the bench.

KEEP IT UP, LISTER HALL

Just past midnight on 7 February, auxiliary officers on patrol in Lister Hall observed a student running head-first into a wall outside the washrooms near The Ship. He struck his head and was rendered unconscious but breathing. Emergency Medical Services was contacted and transported the intoxicated birthday boy to hospital with possible, but unlikely, spinal injury.

5-0 HUES MISSING PSYCH PATIENT

On 9 February, a patrol vehicle was flagged down by a psychiatric patient who was trying to avoid capture by hospital security. The officers calmed the patient down before returning him to his ward.

FOR EVERYONE THAT GETS AWAY...

Officers responded to an alarm in a Business building smart classroom at 8:30pm on 5 February. Upon arriving, they discovered footprints on tables that had been manoeuvred beneath a digital projector. A search of the area turned

MARKETING OR ACCOUNTING?

At 2pm on 11 February, a male sleight in a second-floor lounge in the Business building was woken by officers. He was intoxicated from an unknown substance and a check of his record showed he was prohibited from possessing firearms, had an extensive criminal history and was on probation. He was trespassing, but tore up the notice in front of officers before being escorted from University property. He is a black male, 6'2, 200lbs with pockmarked skin and a scar on the back of his hand. If you see him on campus, call Campus Security immediately at 492-5950.

SEXUAL OFFENDER NEAR GARNEAU

On 12 February at 3:50am, officers observed two suspicious males in the Garneau area. Officers circled the block and approached the males as they attempt to evade detection. Both had criminal records and one was on probation for sexual interference. He had been previously dealt with by constables for possession of stolen property. They were trespassing from campus.

WHAT LIGHTS? WHAT SIREN? WHAT CHARGE?

On 13 February, a vehicle ran a stop sign, then refused to stop for a Campus Security guard car. Edmonton Police Services (EPS) was contacted and the driver arrested after the vehicle was boxed in near Windsor Car Park. Officers noticed another vehicle circle the block a couple of times before running a stop sign on Saskatchewan Drive and 116

POSSIBLE ATTACK NEAR BUS LOOP

On 14 February at 1:42am, a female student walking past the LRT terminal in front of the Dentistry/Pharmacy building, was grabbed from behind and knocked to the ground. Her backpack was stolen. The suspect is described as a 6'2 male of medium build with a black jacket, toque, runners and blue jeans. Campus Security advises students walking late to contact Safewalk at 4-WALK-ME, or Campus Security for an escort after hours.

WHAT'D YOU FORGET?

On 14 February at 3pm, Constables on a routine patrol stopped a male in the northwest stairwell of the Fine Arts building. He claimed to be looking for a bag of weed he left behind. He had numerous warrants and an extensive criminal record, but since the warrants were from British Columbia, he was trespassing and escorted from campus.

LUCKY DRIVER EARNS 24-HOUR SUSPENSION

On 15 February at 3:20am, officers stopped a vehicle driving left of centre on 87 Avenue and 111 Street. The driver said he had four beers, but was stumbling and had trouble handling his documentation. His car was towed and constables issued him a 24-hour suspension.

WRONG DOOR OR MORE?

On 16 February, a female student was followed by an unidentified male into a bathroom on the second floor of the Business building. She entered a stall without knowing she was being

STREETERS

A new study is looking at the best ways to market on the Web

Have you ever bought anything online?



Patti Schultz
Nursing III

I've never done it. I like to try things on if I'm going to buy it. I want to know what it is and what it looks like first.



Jennifer Winttingham
Nursing III

I have bought something over the Internet. I bought these little toys and they ended up charging me twice and sending me two. So I kept to and only paid once. I guess they tried to scam me but I didn't give in.



Izabela Gudzick
Nursing III

I've never bought anything, because I'd be worried about getting scammed 'cause you're giving your credit card number out. I look at the stuff on the Internet but I would never buy it.

Compiled and photographed by
Cassina Preston

followed, then to her surprise heard a male voice say "hello" and watched as he pushed at the stall door. He then left the area. Constables advise that students, especially women, use caution when using bathrooms, even in the middle of the afternoon, and to remain alert and aware of their surroundings.

GOT ANYTHING ELSE YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT?

On 18 February at 6pm, officers in HUB noticed four suspicious males loitering. They claimed to be in HUB to use the bathroom and buy a drink. An officer recognized one in the group as having been previously dealt with. As officers were issuing trespass notices to the group, they noticed a large bulge in one of the suspect's jackets. He produced a hoodie jersey he claimed to have bought at West Edmonton Mall but had no receipt. Constables contacted the store, which informed them the jersey had gone missing at 1:30pm the same afternoon. Another suspect had a DVD sticking out of his backpack. Edmonton Police attended and confirmed the DVD had been stolen from Radio Shack; a further search revealed more stolen property. The suspects were turned over to EPS for processing.

WHY WILL LISTER NEVER LEARN?

On 28 February at 11:30pm, constables responded to a call of an unconscious female in Lister Hall. Officers located her in the stairwell that leads to the banquet room. She had been on a "floor crank," drank too much, went outside and passed out before being dropped by her friends as they tried to bring her home inside. The fire department and EMS responded. She was transported to emergency and treated for hypothermia and alcohol poisoning.

Study looks for best Internet sales strategy

ANDREW TOUGAS
News Writer

Want to know what makes Internet sales successful? A study involving the U of A is trying to find out.

U of A professor of Marketing and Retailing Paul Messenger is involved with a study of the consumer psychology between people and the Internet. The study seeks to understand the economics of the impact and outcomes that occur in the interaction of consumers and online retailers.

The research began when the Canadian Institute of Retailing and Services (CIRAS), a U of A-based retail and service research group, was asked by its membership, which includes Forzani's, West Edmonton Mall and the Singer Group, to find an Internet strategy that would allow it to better compete with other online retailers. CIRAS joined other institutions that were studying the Internet, like the University of British Columbia, the University of Toronto, Concordia University, Dalhousie University and another school in the Netherlands. The federal government, through the Social Science Research Council of Canada, awarded a grant to the study that began this January.

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PAUL MESSENGER, PROFESSOR,
MARKETING AND RETAILING

"[The membership] came to us and said, we would love any advice you could offer," said Messenger. "The marketing group [of CIRAS] has found that the Internet has been the biggest change to marketing in the last 20-30 years. As a result ... we have studied the Internet, so we thought we should put these two together. Put these groups studying the 'Net' with the businesses that are trying to figure out how to use the 'Net' without losing their shirt."

He explained the project came



DAVE MORGAN

Professor Paul Messenger is finding out what makes good Internet marketing.

together at the same time the federal government began providing funding for the initiative and the new economy.

The Canadian government provided the grant not only to understand how to regulate this new, open information environment, but also to find new ways to promote Canada's e-commerce activity, especially with the favourable exchange rate for Americans. Lags in regulation have led to appropriate duties going unchanged to many consumers shopping at foreign online retailers. Messenger suggests that dropping these duties might be beneficial to both American and Canadian consumers alike.

The study will examine why Canadian retailers haven't been able to emulate the success of some American sites. Messenger sees many Canadian sites as good but in tough against retail giant Amazon.com. American retailers like Barnes & Noble are also troubled by the precedent Amazon set years ago, when it established itself by retailing medium-ticket items like CDs, books and software that proved to be the fastest and easiest way to grow its empire.

"It is not that Canada is lagging behind the US," Messenger explains. "It is that Amazon is becoming the dominant e-commerce player and has been for some time."

The study is organized by analyzing the stages of human activity on the

Internet. It begins with a researcher engaging with a website that interests him and purchasing a product, followed by an analysis of the transaction's outcomes.

"Was it good for the consumer, retailer and society?" Messenger asks. "Should the government regulate in a different way?"

In the future, Messenger believes Internet purchasing will continue to grow, and that belief is reinforced by an informal poll he conducts during his classes.

In the past four years, the number of online shoppers has increased from three to almost half of the 55 students in his class, a number he believes is partly due to the increased security measures many companies take with people's credit card information.

But despite this newfound consumer confidence, Messenger cautions that the growth will likely remain conservative.

"I don't think [e-commerce] is going to be an overwhelming percent [of retailing]. I think back to the boom days of 1998 when some people thought a very large percentage of transactions would be conducted on the 'Net. Even then I was telling people 'you are crazy.' Certain products, yes, but other products make no sense to be buying on the 'Net. My pure guess, based on the surveys I have done, is ten per cent in ten years, maybe sooner."

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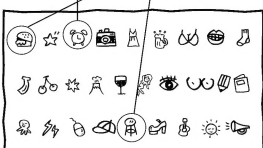
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Edmonton a juicy business environment, says Wishevan

Booster Juice now set to open cross-country

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Long after Wishevan had graduated with an engineering degree and began work in Edmonton as a successful engineer, Amack, an engineering graduate as well, called up in mid-1999 and asked if there were any juice bars in Canada. Amack had seen franchised juice bars, a concept from California, spread like wildfire across the American northwest. Without any Canadian competitors in sight, the two decided to try out the idea. Development was rapid: the first store appeared a mere six months after the idea's conception.

"I did know I was going to be working for myself in a business of some sort. If you're successful working for someone else, there's no reason you shouldn't be successful yourself doing something."

DALE WISHEVAN,
CEO, BOOSTER JUICE

With no experience in the food industry whatsoever, the odds were seemingly stacked against their success. But looking back, Wishevan views their inexperience as an asset.

"We didn't have any perceived notions of how we should do it. ... In this case, we didn't know how

we were going to do it, we were going to make it happen. We said we were going to do 15 stores in the first year [which they accomplished]. That's pretty ambitious, but we didn't know any different. All we know is 15 was our goal and we wanted 15 stores."

Based in Edmonton, which Wishevan says is due to a good business environment and also because it's his home, the company will be expanding its base into Atlantic Canada, Quebec and the US by the end of this year. The company is now targeting products to draw people in the winter months, as the store seems to have a degree of seasonality, which Wishevan thinks shouldn't be the case.

"Our biggest chore right now is educating the customer. It's a health concept. Even during the wintertime, you don't hear your orange juice during the wintertime, because it's hard to get fruits in season. Mangos you're paying through the roof on, kiwi, strawberries."

Originally from Waskettanau, an Alberta town of only 260 people, Wishevan's current situation is where he mostly thought he'd wind up: he focused on a mission, you might say.

"I did know I was going to be working for myself in a business of some sort. If you're successful working for someone else, there's no reason you shouldn't be successful yourself doing something. I was surprised with the smoothie bar concept in Canada, but not surprised that I was working for myself."

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Compiled by Kristine Owram

SFU WORKERS VOTED TO STRIKE

BURNABY, BC (CUP) — Members of Simon Fraser University's clerical, secretarial and technical staff affiliated with Local 3338 of the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) voted 81 per cent in favour of job action on 25 February. This union represents over 800 workers at SFU.

"We're being offered three years of zeros in terms of wage increases," said John Bannister, business agent for CUPE Local 3338. "We're losing some of our dental and medical benefits and we don't find that acceptable."

After a year of negotiations, an impasse was reached and the union requested a mediator. If mediation fails, the union would be in a position to issue 72-hour strike notice.

Both the university and the union maintain they are committed to reaching a negotiated settlement.

In the event of a strike, some courses would be cancelled and many services would be unavailable or reduced at the University.

Stephen Hui, The Peak

10 DALHOUSIE STUDENTS ARRESTED IN ANTI-WAR PROTEST

HALIFAX (CUP) — About 40 anti-war activists, including more than ten Dalhousie University students on break, brought attention to the world's largest weapons manufacturer when they attempted to shut down the Dartmouth, N.S. office of Lockheed Martin on 17 February.

Twelve protesters were arrested during the demonstrations and eleven were charged with mischief.

The activists, who oppose a potential war in Iraq, started the demonstration at 9 am on Monday morning. At approximately 9:30 am the protesters entered the office building of Lockheed Martin. Eight activists sat down on the floor to block the office doors, their arms locked together in colourful plastic tubes.

At 10:30 am, four women and seven men were handcuffed. Dalhousie student Chris Arsenault was one of them, but was released shortly after.

Arsenault had been arrested during the protests of the G7 finance ministers meeting in Halifax last summer and is under the order not to initiate any protests.

Mary-Jana Wege, The Gazette

FEDERAL BUDGET BREAKDOWN: DAVID ANDERSON TELLS ALL

VICTORIA (CUP) — The federal government has money, and they are going to spend it. That was the message from Victoria MP and Federal Environment Minister David Anderson expressed in an interview during last week's federal budget.

"The main thing is Canadians' needs, first in health care," said Anderson, adding that "health care requirements are the biggest driving factor," as well as the environment, the needs of low-income groups and the need for increased military spending.

Anderson said the free-spending budget was a result of the feds having money to burn.

"Our economic performance has been better than any country in the world in the last year," Anderson said.

"There are human needs that we need to respond to. Now is the time to get a few things tucked away."

Anderson said environmental concerns were a big factor in the budget — for the Kyoto Accord — but also to address the need for upgraded water and sewer systems on First Nations' reserves.

reserves.

"In terms of dollars, this is the greenest budget Canada has ever had," Anderson said. The budget commits \$3 billion to environmental initiatives.

Robin Platts, The Marlet

GWYNNE DYER PAINTS GRIM PICTURE OF WAR IN IRAQ

REGINA (CUP) — "There's going to be a war, probably in about 14 days, and it's not going to be a good one. This could get very ugly."

Those were the sobering first words of journalist Gwynne Dyer to a packed house at the University of Regina on 3 March. Dyer, who is a widely known expert on international and military affairs, came to speak about the so-called "war on terror" and the impending war in Iraq.

Dyer warned that another war in Iraq would not be nearly as quick or effortless as the Gulf War in 1991. He said one problem is the fact that Baghdad is a very large city (with a population of six million) and no army has tried to invade a city of that size since the Second World War.

Dyer also said waging a war in a city is far more difficult than waging a war in the desert since bullets, bombs and rockets can be more easily hidden and can come from anywhere.

He speculated that as a result of this threat, the invasion forces will likely destroy any buildings suspected to contain any possible resistance — killing a large number of Iraqi civilians in the process.

Despite the gloomy outlook for the near future, however, Dyer said there is reason for optimism in the long run, particularly about the political situation in the Middle East. There has been an increasing trend towards democracy in the rest of the world, and he believes this trend will eventually spread there as well.

Stephane Bonville, The Carillon

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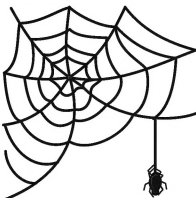
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Tight races, begrudging endorsements

FACED WITH THE ELECTION CHOICES this year, the age-old voter problem rears its ugly head: there is no perfect candidate to choose for each position—simply the best candidate available must suffice. In many cases, the best candidate is quite obvious, but sometimes it's hard to discern the lesser of multiple evils.

This year, only one of the races is terribly easy: for Vice-President (Operations & Finance), Tyler Botten is your man. In fact, he's the only person running, but he still looks like he'll do a good job. He's been Director of Information Services for two years, and hasn't run into the ground yet. He seems to have a real strategy to deal with SU finances and enough enthusiasm to campaign hard for the job though he's the only one in the race.

The Vice-President (Student Life) is a touch harder, but Blair Dent seems to be the best choice. Though he has a terribly obnoxious way of pitching himself, his ideas are far more solid and interesting than any of the other candidates. Good entertainment is the key to the position, and the revamped WOW dance and multi-institution year-end party sound feasible and fun. If he tones down the act and perhaps pays attention to issues like parking, he'll probably do well.

Vice-President (External) is a tough choice between two candidates with virtually equal capabilities to do the job. In the end, however, the scales tip in favour of Bequie Lake, with her very strong organizational background and a highly motivated plan of action that continues this year's outreach to the province through community groups. Chris Samuel, though very quali-

fied, seems in danger of fading into the background if elected.

For President, the real choices lie among those candidates holding office in the current SU: Mat Brechtel, Steve Smith, and Mike Reid. But Brechtel seems too cautious, and Reid seems bent on cozying up to the administration in the hopes of winning points. Though his campaign was lacklustre at best this year, Steve Smith still seems like the top choice for the job. Levelheaded, dedicated, and a skilled tipster, he could effect real change on a great number of levels next year. In addition, his self-deprecating humour can only infuse the SU with the sense of realism and fun it sorely needs.

The Vice-President (Academic) is a dreadful race. Candidates Trevor Miller and Matt Robertson are easily eliminated, as both are shockingly naïve about SU structure and practical planning. Vivek Sharma is out, calling for things like class webpages that don't deal with any real academic issues. Janet Lo seems like a run-of-the-mill candidate with honest intentions, but doesn't quite come off as anything but mediocre. That leaves Chris Jones, who almost lost my vote for shamelessly attacking the other candidates at the forums, but wins due to his GRC strategy and his solid knowledge of the SU and its abilities. If Jones can keep up on act and think outside the Engineering faculty, he might put his intelligence to good use in the position.

Last but not least, the most difficult pick goes to the Board of Governors Representative. Selecting between the sanctimonious Ron Kotychuk and the unrelentingly Scott Winder makes me want to leave my ballot blank in that race. In fact, that's what I'm going to do. Voting for neither candidate seems the only option, so it's up to the rest of you to make the "right" choice.

JENNIFER PABLIANO
News Editor

A second opinion, please

IVE TRIED APPROACHING the SU elections through my shop-worn lens known as "the tuition debate," but that piece of glass does little to view such positions as VP (Student Life), VP (Academic) and VP (Operations & Finance). They're in what I would call a less important place, but still, they have boxes, we each have pencils, and every one of us has a tendency to leave our marks.

To start, I'd suggest we leave our marks next to VP (Student Life) candidate Jadene Mal's name, not because she has more experience than either of her competitors, but because she's the only one I've heard mention anything but "party" in forums or literature. Where Blair Dent has some original and likely feasible entertainment ideas, few of them have anything to do with the other, less liquor-soaked ends of the portfolio.

Her holistic approach earns her my nod in the Student Life race, but little can sway my head when it comes to the VP (Academic). That race has numerous half-baked plans and inexperienced runners, but most disappointing was that the most technically qualified candidate Chris Jones, has proven himself, two years in a row, overbearing. Horowitz forum saw Jones tear limbs off of his opponents, perhaps rightly pointing out their shortcomings, but that lack of tact is more becoming of a councillor whose duty is to keep an Executive honest, not an Executive to browbeat a council into submission.

Tyler Botten is the sole candidate for VP (Operations & Finance), so I'll be brief on his acclamation. He asked students to not to vote for him out of necessity, but honest

approval. He has mine.

At this point, "tuition" is a word that can put chronic insomniacs to sleep. I'm not going to put myself to bed before picking a President and VP (External). Steve Smith and Bequie Lake fit those bills, respectively.

If you read my tuition articles this year, you know why I chose Smith. When his biggest rival, Mat Brechtel, focuses on achievements that could succeed within a single term on the Executive, Smith understands the tuition battle is a long-term one, yet still worth fighting. That's a battle I think he's competent enough to fight next year, and I don't anticipate him getting into embarrassing situations with our Administration, leaving the SU and the Administration set to pressure post-secondary education's real nemesis: the province.

As VP (External), Bequie Lake's experience with organizing the university community and its neighbours would dovetail nicely with Smith's life-headed activism, as difficult as it is to pass over a candidate in the caliber of her opponent, Chris Samuel. Both have experience, both have ideas, both have common sense, but one's experience is limited to a few buildings, notably, SUB and CAB. The other offers much more.

That leaves the undergraduate Board of Governors Rep. Winder, though, is more difficult to justify, but not impossible. Kotychuk has experience on council, terrifying amounts of it, and that's the very thing that prevents him from, to use a cliché, thinking outside the box. Certainly, Winder's initiatives may occasionally be outlandish, but the bottom line is, they're initiatives. And a sober Executive can sand the rough ones and polish the smooth ones for presentation. But Kotychuk's lack of initiatives—that's unforgivable.

RAYMOND BIESINGER
Managing Editor

LETTERS

McLean letter's take on Sexual Assault Centre very misleading

In response to Donn McLean's letter ("Sexual Assault Centre poster misleading," 4 March), Donn, drive your Chevy to the holy and then stay there. It would save the rest of society from your ignorant, backward-thinking ways.

Yes, Donn, the one in five means that these people had an unwanted sexual experience. This, by definition, means any sexual experience without voluntary verbal consent. This was not a number that was found in some random survey at another college or university, but indeed found right here at the U of A by an undergraduates survey in 2001. The only thing that you wrote that even approached fact was that sexual harassment is a problem in our society.

If, Donn, you think the only clients the Centre sees are, as you put it, "hung over sorority girls," then you are obviously ignorant and uninformed about the issue.

The Centre deals with male and female survivors of sexual assault, their supporters, as well as people dealing with stalkers. No one makes a decision to be sexually assaulted. The reality is that it does happen on campus. The sadder reality is that it will continue to happen. This is fact.

The Centre hopes that through their education program, it can educate people and create awareness about this issue. It is also there to provide services to the survivors who need them. This is why the Centre is asking for a dollar per term increase in student funding to maintain the current levels of service.

I would posit Donn, that the 930 people who have accessed the Centre since it opened and the other 9000-odd people who have benefited from the education presentations that it offers would disagree that they find the Centre's material "misleading."

Finally, Donn, I would say you are just the reason that the Centre needs more money, to keep educating ignorant people such as yourself, so that perhaps one day, everyone will have the facts and not just the fiction they make up in their head and get published.

JACK MEKLE
Arts IV

McLean very wrong on sexual assault statistics

This is a reply to Donn McLean's letter ("Sexual Assault Centre poster misleading," 4 March), that suggested that the Sexual Assault Centre's referendum poster, the one stating that one in five U of A students had had an unwanted sexual experience, was misleading. However, this poster was not at all misleading, and unfortunately, sexual assault does occur this frequently.

This statistic comes from a 2001 survey of 1400 undergraduate students on our campus, that asked if they had had an unwanted sexual experience that fit the legal definition of sexual assault in Canada's Criminal Code (Section 273.1). Twenty-one per cent of the participants (one

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in five) responded they had had at least one of these experiences, and in fact, the great majority of these included forced intercourse, forced oral sex, and/or forced anal sex.

The examples you used in your letter, such as "premature ejaculation," were not options in the questionnaire, as they do not meet the legal definition of sexual assault. The purpose of using the term "unwanted sexual experience" was to acknowledge what these participants experienced, without labelling their experience for them—common practice in sexual assault research.

Moreover, I feel obliged to address your statement that the Sexual Assault Centre should stop "convincing hungry over sorority girls their poor decisions are not their faults, but that rather they are in fact victims." The Sexual Assault Centre provides support services to male and female survivors of sexual assault, and has no need to "convince" anyone of what has happened to them. The Centre firmly believes in allowing each individual to define his/her experience for his/herself.

If you are implying that the Sexual Assault Centre believes that people who have been forced to perform sexual acts while they were drunk were sexually assaulted, you are absolutely right.

This belief comes from the Criminal Code of Canada's Consent Law (Section 273.1), which outlines several ways persons are unable to consent to sexual activity, including when they are incapacitated by alcohol or drugs. In addition, survivors of sexual assault should never be blamed for what happened to them, as the people who make "poor decisions" are those who choose to sexually assault others.

Throughout your letter, you also make the common error of conflating sexual harassment and sexual assault, which are two separate issues. Considering the amount of misinformation in your letter, I encourage you to educate yourself on these issues by visiting the Office of Human Rights and the Sexual Assault Centre.

TATIYANA LOVERSON
U of A Sexual Assault Centre
Researcher, U of A's 2001 Unwanted Sexual Experiences Survey

Joke candidate suggests an anti-war SU

Students' Union joke campaigns are a staple of any annual SU election. I, like many others, get a couple laughs from a cleverly orchestrated joke campaign, and I'm even willing to turn my head and ignore SU funds being used to finance such campaigns. However, this year's "George W. Bushwhacker" campaign has violated the rules of joke campaigning.

Take the Bushwhacker campaign poster. Rather than mocking university politics, it comments on the situation in the Gulf, and went as far as advertising a rally against war on 6 March and supplying an Internet address for an activist site.

First, I must say that I am a proponent of the invasion of Iraq, be it unilateral, multilateral, UN sanctioned, etc. Regardless, this is not the issue.

SU funds should not be used to promote political agendas that go beyond the spectrum of university affairs. I am disgusted that my \$115 and two cents has paid for glossy political propaganda. Am I to infer that the SU as a whole is opposed to military action in the Gulf?

Regardless of the SU's views, I do not want the SU speaking for me in international affairs. I would like to see this campaign reprimanded, as any other candidate should be reprimanded. Sadly, since it is a joke campaign, there is little to it to recourse that can be taken.

What is worse, this campaign will make mockery out of the elections by drawing activist votes. Perhaps it is time we take a more serious look at joke campaigns.

MATT W WOLF
Political Science II

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Electric cars aren't a solution



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blow \$30 000 on a Toyota Prius. As it stands, electric or hybrid vehicles are only a quick fix, and they're helping us put off what we should really be doing, which is implementing a sweeping lifestyle change that ousts more people from their cars and onto bikes or public transit.

The electric car push isn't unlike the recycling movement. While the net consequences of recycling are undoubtedly positive, it didn't lead to the much-needed reduction of waste creation. In fact, it may have contributed to a rise in the production of waste, as people used the availability of recycling as a justification for increasing consumption. As one would imagine, not everything thrown into a recycling bin is recycled, and much of it still ends up in the landfill.

It's not as if the electricity is generated by emission-free magical energy-generating pixie dust.

In our apparently incessant quest to emulate celebrities, we've allowed Hollywood trends to influence countless facets of our lives. A most recent trend, touting the environmental benefits of driving an electric car—coming from such A-listers as Meryl Streep, Robert Redford and Leonardo di Caprio—is admittedly less vacuous than other Tinseltown-born crazes, but is nonetheless misguided.

Yes, the cars themselves produce lower emissions, and even Environment Minister David Anderson, who drives a hybrid gas-electric vehicle, is advocating electric cars. That said, when the owners go home and plug them into the wall for recharging, it's not as if the electricity is generated by emission-free magical energy-generating pixie dust. Unless the power company is using a truly renewable energy source such as wind, which is not the case in most of Canada, the electricity coursing through your home is probably from coal burning, which is worse for air pollution than gasoline.

I'm not objecting to electric cars per se; I would much rather be cycling next to an electric vehicle than a gas-burning car spewing carcinogenic fumes, and if the whole of Canada did switch to wind power, for instance, it would be a viable way to reduce greenhouse emissions. However, for now, it's not enough to go out and

We have made great strides in acknowledging we have to take action to prevent further environmental damage. Real environmental change, however, is not as simple as buying a new car, or throwing our trash into blue, rather than black, bags. Despite the reassurances from Kyoto proponents, implementing the terms laid out by the accord won't be easy. We will have to change the way we live, but if that means more active people riding bicycles and fewer people growing obese, we'll all be better—and healthier—for it.

I now have a steady girlfriend



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Now, despite my best efforts, I seem to have found myself with a girlfriend.

This isn't my natural state, but it seems cupid is no longer going to tolerate my solo Trading Spaces parties and pathological masturbation regime.

Here's the thing: getting a girlfriend has always been the goal, right? I mean, why the fuck else did I write for the Gateway or start jogging, or buy all those Sean John clothes? I'm a guy—and as such, my main motivation for everything I have ever done has been to impress and, hopefully, undress the opposite sex. And now that it's happened, I can finally relax.

Right? Wrong, fuck-bean, because after you fall for a woman, the real relationship work starts.

Now, if I were just out to conquer a lady, there would be no problem. I would just use my classic line: "Hi, I'm Jag. I'm a racecar driver, whose dad is a film producer. And in my spare time I enjoy skydiving, playing in a successful rock band and buying people expensive gifts. And your name is?" At which point I would proceed to poorly have sex with the young woman and never speak to her again.

This is not my current situation, however. I'm in love. I want this relationship to work.

The mistake I see a lot of guys make is, once the poor girl has been duped, they think they're now on easy street. The relationship effort level can drop

into the negatives and they can smile the rest of their days away awash in blowjobs, holding hands in the hallway, and free back rubs.

This, sadly, is not the case. It is the ability to maintain that makes a man truly great (well, that and if he has season tickets. I'd blow Hans Blix if he could get me playoff box seats).

You've got to keep the Mrs. feeling like she didn't make a huge mistake. Just because your relationship was founded solely on a mutual admiration of the Strokes and 34 ounces of lemon gin, it doesn't mean you're not a keeper. How do you do this? Glad you asked. First, once you get the honest ball rolling, it'll carry you through the romance. Second, you won't feel guilty the whole time because your soulmate is in love with a fictional conception of you. And lastly, because you're supposed to tell the truth, cock-sucker face! What are you, some kind of asshole?

Also, don't be boring. Renting movies is fine, but don't make two hours on your couch not talking to each other the norm. Unless, of course, renting a movie is just a cover for you to have copious amounts of sex on said couch, then make this the norm, you magnificent son of a bitch.

Take her out, talk to her (this is also involves listening to her, fellas). Ask her questions. Call me a chauvinist pig if you must, but a few women I know, given an opportunity, will yap your ear off until you have to reach for your pistol just to force her to breathe once in a while. Hmmm... did I mention I used to have a girlfriend? Sigh.

Look, I'm not hokking myself up as a paragon of understanding healthy relationship maintenance. Perhaps, just caring about the person implies taking a course of action that will forge healthy involvement.

Just because you hooked the fish, doesn't mean you don't have reel it in.

Dave Alexander's TOP TEN

Strategies for curing North America's obsession with fast food restaurants

- 1 The new McDonald's Tapeworm Happy Meal.
- 2 Instead of asking customers if they'd like their meals super-sized, ask if they'd like their asses super-sized.
- 3 Hire Subway Jared, Richard Simmons, and Mr Body to stand outside A&W's and stare disapprovingly.
- 4 Force Taco Bell to use Mexican beef.
- 5 Change slogans to instill guilt, such as "You Deserve Angina Today," "Have It Your Way: Cancerous" and "Run For The Border, If You Can."
- 6 Put drive-thru pick-up windows at the top of climbing walls.
- 7 Start rumours that the Colonel's secret recipe includes a spice called "terrorism."
- 8 Mount a rotating life-sized replica of Dave Thomas' enlarged heart on the roof of every Wendy's.
- 9 Cluster bomb Ronald McDonaldland back to the Stone Age.
- 1 Introduction of the Pizza Hut Laxative-Stuffed Crust Pizza.

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The SU's verbosity is toxic



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There is an apathy problem with the SU elections, and it probably has something to do with committees. If you cared to look, you would find hundreds of committees in the Students' Union organization. Committees tend to let governments do business in a systematic fashion, but take their pound of flesh by transforming normal humans into dry, lifeless automatons sitting at tables.

SU committees follow this proud tradition to the letter. These learned councils have a simple but noble aim: to provide a forum for SU candidates to talk, all the time. Not the type of talk where people want to hear what you say, but talk to enjoy the sound of your own vocal cords vibrating. If you've attended election forums, you'll notice that our candidates like to say certain words over and over, just for the sake of saying them. *Experience. Accessibility. Budgetary. Institutions. Sustainable. Genuinely. Trust.* They must get paid by the cliché.

The other thing that happens in committee meetings is writing. Each committee floods campus in a sea of minutes, motions, resolutions, briefs, reports, bylaws, statements, and other

documents. The writing, together with the talk, is meant to convince committee members that they are not wasting their prime away in rooms with spotty paint jobs.

The real danger of committees, however, lies in how easily they can spin off and take on a life of their own. The best qualification for sitting on a committee is to have sat on other committees, and candidates boast of long, honoured experience on committees. Liaison committees must be created to meet with talk with other committees. Committees must oversee committee behaviour and report to a disciplinary committee if any committees have stepped out of line. Executives ask themselves every day, "Do we need more committees?" Is a frog's butt watertight?

These learned councils have a simple but noble aim: to provide a forum for SU candidates to talk, all the time.

Let's see how this works in practice. Around this time in 2002, a number of SU candidates talked about how some work could be done on the environment around campus. More energy efficient computers, less halogen light bulbs, you get the picture. These were fairly popular and were put into

place—an SU success story.

Now, in 2003, the small of real accomplishments has started a stampede on the environment. Candidates bemoan the lack of "green space," howl about the horrors of leaky faucets and bad insulation, and demand more audits and committees to reduce our "ecological footprint," pronto. Suddenly, the U of A has become more toxic than Inland Cement, Boeing and Exxon-Mobil combined. Those sparrows you just saw in that tree? They all have cancer. Yeah, I know. It's a damned disgrace.

Am I being too cynical? No, I went to the election forums like an obedient milch cow and had my time milked for hours by endless prattling. The eyes in the audience were more glazed over than honey crullers from Tim Hortons. The whole thing definitely had a farm feel to it: big empty skies, cattle grazing, and a whole lot of gophers chipping away.

How could it be better? It could be better if candidates didn't design campaign platforms that are hefty seminars on human, government and society. It could be better if candidates didn't race through speeches, cramming ten minutes of material into three minutes. It could be better if candidates didn't look so eager to get elected so they can sit on more committees just like the ones they just vacated.

It may be that the next SU executive will remedy these and other problems during their year of service; it may well be, too, that pigs have wings.

A concise, untrue history of pants



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creation to something close to our modern pants.

Several materials were used in initial fabrication, including nettles, seaweed and ground bones. Cotton plantations weren't prevalent until the mid to late 1700s, in parts of Asia, South America and the moon.

For several generations, likely due to precedent, it did not seem absurd, or even out of place, to sport these "pants" sans crotch. Wagging to and fro, in the (what would now be considered) inhuman eighteenth-century chill, Thomas J Lipton decided, in a dusky London bar west of the Thames on a blustery Thursday morning, that covering the entire body, from waist down, would be optimal for coverage, and that in creating such a product, in one piece, he might become very rich, and not need to spend his Thursday mornings in dusky London bars.

Unfortunately for pants connoisseurs the world over, Lipton stumbled

onto tea before he died saving his family from a destroyed, sinking colonial cruiser, and the world was to wait until 1863 for the crotch to be added to pants.

For a short time (historians estimate the period to be April through November 1863, in Lower Canada), garment-lovers refuted the new pants, invented by one Derek Shupe, in favour of a more classical, elegant dress: namely, the dress.

Riding all varieties of mammals was markedly difficult without protection, however, and soon Shupe's design and vision caught on.

"It's especially good for strolling in this chilly era," remarked Shupe from his retirement home in Talahassee, Florida. The 176-year-old designer is known to occasionally sport more vintage designs, from the Wertzerschischer era, but only on special days.

"In protest to Klein's ideas, back in the '80s," he said.

Despite a heavy marketing campaign by Calvin Klein in the early '80s, pants, of all varieties, aren't getting their worth in these fickle, modern times.

The pant was invented in 1578: a single, cloth tube used to warm bodies, after long ventures in the intimidating (to us modern people, anyhow) sixteenth-century chill. Back then, its use was limited to a function that we'd now associate with blankets; mobility was limited, and it was not until 1612 that Ronald J Wertzerschischer came up with the ingenious idea of adding a second tube to the first, thereby pluralizing the

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THE BURLAP SACK

This sack beating is a little overdue, but since stupidity transcends time and dimension, so too shall the Burlap Sack. Every year around exam time—actually, all the time, in fact—you might see students studying in public spaces. These folks are not worthy of the sack; quite the opposite. These folks deserve medals of commendation and free sandwiches for their hard work and dedication, and likely stealing of those precious nines.

No, this sack beating goes to those studying in public places who have their ears dutifully plugged.

You fools. Doesn't plugging your ears in a public place defeat the purpose of being there? Clearly, you are looking for some place quiet, I have no sympathy for your dirty looks when I saunter around whilst laughing heartily, exposing universal truths, and dispiriting common myths.

Look, there are about eight libraries right on campus, and many are open fairly late. Of course, these libraries are typically packed during exams, but at least explore a little. Try the basement of V-wing, or your faculty association office, or the fourth floor cafeteria in BioSci. There are countless quiet lounges everywhere. Or for that matter, go home to study. Most of us dictate our home environments and can thus offer our used earplugs to the less fortunate.

So, if I see you plugging your ears with your fingers while you use your elbows in vain to hold your textbook pages flat, don't be surprised if you're quickly swept into a rather large, scratchy sack.

DAVID ZEIBIN

The Burlap Sack is a semi-regular feature where a person or group who needs to be put in a sack and beaten is ridiculed in print. No beatings are actually administered, except on days like today.

Mind your coffee cups



MELVIN BACKSTROM

A number of years ago, I had the pleasure of working at an oh-so-valuable dispenser of liquid energy, a herein anonymous coffee stop in our wonderful Students Union Building.

I'm sure you've all walked by it at some point—it's kinda hard not to—and many of you, undoubtedly, purchase coffee there on a regular basis. Now, it wasn't a bad job working there. Close to classes and free coffee, muffins and scones to boot. Mind you, when that became the extent of my diet, other difficulties arose, but that was far from being the worst part of working there.

What was my problem? Serving people—including a number of administration bigwigs—day after day, sometimes two or three times in one shift, who for some strange reason could not bring themselves to bring a reusable cup.

Why? They'd have saved themselves money. They'd have helped prevent God-only-knows amounts of garbage from needlessly filling up our finite planet, and though some cups may be recycled, where did they think the raw materials came from? Or did they—and this is the saddest thing, given that we're all supposed to be somewhat intellectually enlightened attending this "indisputably recognized" institution—even think about the consequences of their actions at all?

I, at first, thought people engaged in this absurd behaviour needed a bit of encouragement to see the error of their ways. That, however, was rarely

the response.

"Oh, I'd forget it," or "It's just more convenient than carrying it around," were the usual idiotic answers. Even I, not the world's foremost genius by any means, find it pretty easy to keep a cup (and utensils) in my backpack for whenever I might need them come lunch.

All it takes is a little awareness to understand that the cup they so mindlessly threw in the garbage had a history and a future: valuable resources were used to make it, and even more will be used, unnecessarily, to dispose of it. Yes, sometimes disposable cups and dishes are the only practical alternative, but shouldn't we be trying to reduce those instances as much as possible?

I'd like to propose that the University or Students' Union should set up a deposit system for re-usable dishes (cups, utensils, bowls, plates and so on) in the three areas where the most food-related garbage is produced: SUB, CAB and HUB. It would involve all food and beverage sellers as a condition of their lease.

A dollar per dish would be a reasonable amount, an amount that would be given back once it was returned to a staffed washing station. There would be start-up costs, of course, but operational funding could come from businesses that sell the food and beverages and who's present packaging expenses would be greatly reduced. If that were not enough, a small premium, something like the \$2.50 per term we pay to fund APING, wouldn't be unreasonable.

Not like this is going to happen anytime soon, of course. I'm far too cynical to think that we, as a student body, could so easily overcome the narcissistic self-absorption that so defines contemporary culture.

I'd love to be proven wrong, though.

Gay priests should be OK



ANTHONY EASTON

Paul as a contrary and difficult man, in an awkward place.

It also leads to questions from those who reject Paul implicitly, following priests, who have moved past the need for sex, sacrificing it to God. To be a priest is to recognize that sexuality is not the core of one's being. It is also a strange rearing of Paul's sexual ethics. Most queens reject Paul because the idea of man and woman, husband and wife as perfect pair, cannot be meshed with who they are. Priests reject Paul as a way to move past the body and onto the spirit. If queer priests are willing to move from their view of the body, into the spirit, like everyone who follows that path, then I fail to see the problem with the transcendent to priesthood. More simply: celibacy is celibacy.

A complete acceptance of any sexuality, though, is a far ways off. The problem at hand is a problem of tradition and history. The dominant view now is one of fear and loathing towards all things sexual, and the only way to battle that fear is to find other threads in the tradition. If we inform the world of people like St. Theresa of Avila, who received visions while in orgasmicapture, or St. Julian of Norwich, who talked of the body with grace and joy, maybe we can make progress towards eventually reflecting our own sexual diversity within the Catholic Church.

Look at Christ on the cross, and see that he has a penis, as plain as his arms or hands or feet. Because Paul was fearful of Christ's penis, the Church has been too, so that people who are fearful of it are in power and control. Those who have acknowledged not only the presence of sexuality, but taken it as a gift and revealed in the diversity of that gift, are considered suspect. To be closeted is to be in fear, to come out is to be whole, to give Christ your self is to be liberated. I want priests who are liberated.



Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission

Commission canadienne de sûreté nucléaire

Notice of Public Hearing

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) announces five separate one-day public hearings to be held on May 22, 2003 concerning renewals for the SLOWPOKE-2 non-power reactor operating licences for the following facilities:

Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia
École Polytechnique de Montréal, Montreal, Quebec
Royal Military College of Canada, Kingston, Ontario
Saskatchewan Research Council, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta

One-Day Hearing: May 22, 2003

Place: CNSC Public Hearing Room, 14th Floor, 280 Slater Street, Ottawa, Ontario

Public hearings begin at 8:30 AM and follow the agenda published prior to the hearing date.

Commission documents associated with this application will be available March 21, 2003.

The public is invited to comment on any of these applications either by oral presentation or written submission. Please specify for which facility the intervention is being submitted. Requests to participate and text of oral presentations or written submissions must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission by April 21, 2003. Send interventions to:

c/o S. Locatelli, Secretariat
Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission
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Ottawa, Ontario K1P 5S9

Tel.: (613) 995-0360 or 1-800-668-5284
Fax: (613) 995-5086
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Members of the public are welcome to observe public hearings. For current agendas and information on the hearing process, visit the CNSC Web site: www.nuclearsafety.gc.ca (Ref. 2003-H-9)

Avis d'audience publique

La Commission canadienne de sûreté nucléaire (CCSN) annonce la tenue de cinq audiences publiques distinctes d'une journée, le 22 mai prochain, pour étudier les demandes de renouvellement des permis d'exploitation d'un réacteur non producteur de puissance SLOWPOKE-2 pour les installations suivantes :

L'Université Dalhousie, à Halifax (Nouvelle-Écosse)
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Le Collège militaire royal du Canada, à Kingston (Ontario)
Le Saskatchewan Research Council, à Saskatoon (Saskatchewan)
L'Université de l'Alberta, à Edmonton (Alberta)

Audience d'un jour : Le 22 mai 2003

Lieu : Salle des audiences publiques de la CCSN, 14^e étage, 280, rue Slater, à Ottawa (Ontario)

Les audiences publiques débuteront à 8 h 30 et se dérouleront selon l'ordre du jour publié avant la date des audiences.

Les documents de la Commission associés à ces demandes seront disponibles le 21 mars 2003.

Le public est invité à commenter ces demandes soit en faisant une présentation orale, soit en déposant un mémoire. Les intervenants doivent préciser sur quelle installation portera leur intervention. Les demandes de participation, de même que le texte des présentations orales et des mémoires, doivent être déposées auprès du secrétaire de la Commission à l'adresse ci-dessous au plus tard le 21 avril 2003.

a/s de S. Locatelli, Secrétaire
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Canada

HOME GAMES

Hockey — Clare Drake Arena

Men's best-of-three Canada West finals

Friday, 7 March Bears vs Huskies, 7:30pm
 Saturday, 8 March Bears vs Huskies, 7:30pm
 Sunday, 9 March Bears vs Huskies, 7pm*

*If necessary

ATHLETIC NOTES

Hockey

The undefeated **Pandas** are in Regina for the CIS championship this weekend. Canada West MVP and CIS scoring leader Danielle Bourgeois should make an impact, having scored 50 points (24G, 26 A) during the regular season. Sunday's gold medal match will be aired on TSN at 5pm.

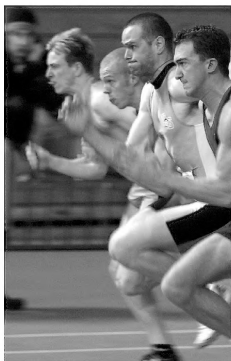
Meanwhile, the top-ranked **Bears** are at home to duke out the Canada West final with the fourth-ranked Huskies. Alberta was 3-1-0 vs Saskatchewan in conference contests this season, and lost their last regular season match to the same team, 3-1, in Saskatoon on 16 November. This weekend's games are broadcast on CJR FM88.

Tennis

We have a tennis team, and if they ever played in Edmonton, you'd all hear more about them. This weekend, they're in Lewiston, Idaho, to play four different teams from the National Association of Collegiate Athletics (NCAA). The squad will, however, be competing at home 3-4 May in the NAA regional championship. Unfortunately, the Gateway will be on summer hiatus by that point.

Basketball

Don Horwood's **Bears** and the Canada West champion UBC Thunderbirds head to Halifax 14-16 March for the CIS nationals.



The Bears finished second while the Pandas finished third at last weekend's Can West finals.

Track and Field

Thirty athletes qualified for the CIS championships 13-15 March in Windsor, Ontario.

PANDAS

Blaine Hua
 Carrah Bouna
 Carle Evans
 Sue Kupper
 Jennifer Giochetti
 Diana Mannarow
 Kaelen Onusko
 Sarah Hoyle
 Lindsey McMaster
 Brynn Anderson
 Chelsea Wedman
 Erin McLean
 Chantal Bourque
 Melissa These
 Jenilee Way

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 Vince Lee
 Morgan Willson
 Brian Stewart
 Rob Nissen
 Jesse Smith
 Tye Evans
 Rob Fisher
 Mark Cocks
 Jamie Johnson
 Todd McKenzie
 Sean Kennedy
 Blaine Woodcock
 Jason Moss
 Grant Chapman



BLAIR ST MARTIN The Bears' captain employing some fancy skatework; don't expect Alberta to come out with any less intensity this weekend.

FILE PHOTO: JAKE EDENOFF

Hockey Bears hope to viciously maul Huskies in conference final

BRENDAN PROCE
 Sports Editor

"You've got to take it one game at a time, or else it's over before it starts."

They're Jeff Zorn's words, the Bears Academic All-Canadian defender, and they hold more weight than you might think.

Last weekend, in front of a packed house, the men's volleyball team lost the gold-medal match in straight sets to the only team that had beat them all year. This weekend's Canada West final pits the Bears hockey squad against the last team to beat them in conference play: the Saskatchewan Huskies. It happened on 16 November, 2002: a 3-1 loss in Saskatoon.

"I don't think we have a particular weakness going into the weekend, but the Huskies don't have anything we can exploit," said Bears head coach Rob Daum.

Goalending will be an interesting factor this weekend. The Bears have had a goalster in net all season: third- and fourth-year players Dustin Schwartz and Clayton Pool. Schwartz had a better

goals-against average (GAA) this season, at 1.80 over 16 conference games, while Pool tallied a 2.07 GAA in twelve contests. Pool, however, represented Canada at the 2003 Universiade in Italy, and has more post-season experience.

On Saskatchewan's end, Thomas Vicars will likely end up in net; the backstop played 18 conference games for the Huskies this season, compiling a 2.83 GAA, while his tag-team partner Steve Nelson played in 14 matches, posting a 3.77 GAA.

In practice this week, the Bears didn't have a particular focus.

"We're working on everything," said Daum. "We're trying to solidify our game, though we are doing some Saskatchewan-specific things—working on our penalty kill a certain way, and different things on the powerplay."

Alberta's advantage over the Huskies is their depth; while all the Bears' lines can score, Saskatchewan's scoring possibilities thin after their second line. In two playoff games thus far, Alberta has tallied 31 points, while the Huskies scored 25 over the same period.

Recent history sides with the Bears as well. The Huskies have faced off against the Bears six times in the last seven years for the Canada West conference title, and Alberta has won the past two years. Last season, the Green and Gold swept the series 5-1 and 6-2.

The ultimate prize, however, has evaded the Bears for a couple of years. Alberta has made the nationals cut for the past six years, though hasn't won the CIS title since 2000. If past considerations come into play, Schwartz might get the net nod for the CIS finals, if not this weekend. The University of Western Ontario Mustangs beat the Bears 4-1 in last year's CIS title match qualifier, relegating the Bears to bronze. Earlier in the tournament, Alberta had slapped the Guelph Gryphons with an 8-0 defeat.

Parting thoughts—last year's crew finished conference play at 21-2-4, while this year's team wrapped it up at 24-2-2.

The puck drops this weekend at 7:30pm Friday and Saturday in Clare Drake Arena. Should a third game be needed, it'll go at 7pm on Sunday. All matches can be heard on CJR FM88.

FDA links Orioles' prospect's death to ephedra

Herbal supplement already banned in NFL, NCAA and by the International Olympic Committee

ERIN SAYLOR
 Michigan Daily

ANN ARBOR, Michigan (U-WIRE) — Labels indicating risks of heart attacks, seizures or death will now be required for all products containing the herbal supplement ephedra, the US Food and Drug Administration announced last Friday.

The decision follows the death of Baltimore Orioles prospective pitcher Steve Bechler on 17 February that was linked to the use of a supplement containing ephedra. Major League Baseball decided this week to ban ephedra use in its minor league divisions in light of his death.

The National Football League, the International Olympic Committee and the National Collegiate Athletics Association already prohibit the use of ephedra.

"We want to caution all Americans—

particularly athletes and those who engage in strenuous activities—about using dietary supplements that contain ephedra," said Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson in a written statement. "There continues to be serious questions about the risks surrounding this particular dietary supplement."

Ephedra as a herbal supplement is often found in many over-the-counter products designed to help lose weight, enhance sports performance and increase energy.

The FDA said there was an increased risk for users of ephedra who are under the age of 18, exercise frequently or use caffeine or other stimulants. They added that health problems were not only limited to those who had extended use of ephedra—indicating it could cause problems with first-time users.

A recent study released by RAND Corporation,

a government-funded think tank, shows that using ephedra can lead to higher risks of heart palpitations, tremors and insomnia. The FDA said the RAND report also finds only limited evidence of the health benefits of the herbal supplement.

A study released last week reviewed more than 16,000 adverse event reports involving ephedra, including two deaths, four heart attacks, nine strokes, one seizure and five psychiatric cases, said American Medical Association Trustee Ron Davis in a written statement.

The FDA regulates synthetic ephedrine found in some prescription drugs and over-the-counter drugs such as nasal decongestants. It is the same substance as the active ingredient in ephedra, but the FDA said synthetic ephedrine has proven benefits and carries mandatory warning labels and has not been shown to have the same severe side effects as the ephedra herbal supplement.

The netminder show

The Pandas head to the CIS women's hockey finals in Regina this weekend in what will likely be a backstopper's affair

BYRAN LEE
Sports Writer

Six stellar starting goalies; one the Hockey championship.

Starting out west, we have the Green and Gold. The Pandas, ranked first overall, were virtually unchallenged throughout the regular season. Their toughest test was two weeks ago in the Canada West final, where they came from behind in both games to sweep Regina.

"We know what it feels like now to win big games, so we expect to go all the way," said Canada West first team All-Star Lori Shupak, of the intense battles with the Cougars.

"You can always get better though, and we'll need to play at a higher level at Nationals."

Backstopping Alberta will be Robyn Rittmister, who wrestled the starting job away from Andrea Thomas. Thomas was the understudy to All-Canadian Stacey McCullough the past two years, but with six shutouts and a 0.70 goals against average (GAA), Rittmister will get the nod.

She's no stranger to CIS action, though. She was an All-Canadian in 1999 for Calgary. She also won a soccer title with the Dinosaurs in 1998 as a midfielder.

"I really learned what championship teams are made of," Rittmister remarked on her past accomplishments. "Like finishing in the third period."

Moving south, we find the Pandas' provincial rivals, the Pronghorns. Lethbridge has a workhorse in netminder Lindsay Johnston, who played a whopping 994 minutes this season. Her 3.08 GAA isn't bad either, considering she played for a team with a losing record. Backup Jenna Stanton might get the nod though, after winning both games in the Canada West bronze contest.

Snowplowing through the prairies,

host team Regina has second-year netminder Andrea Charanduk (2.70 GAA). She made some big saves against Alberta to keep the Canada West final close after the Pandas pulled ahead.

"Regina has lots of skill and they always give us a great game. Every team at Nationals is going to be dangerous, so we have to be on our 'A' game," said Shupak, the only fifth-year veteran with the Pandas this season.

The goaltending gets better the farther east you go. Varsity Blues goalie Alison Houston and Lisa Robertson must be black and blue from making so many stops. They have GAA's of 0.49 and 0.53 respectively, and have combined for eleven shutouts.

Shockingly, McGill's Kim St-Pierre has been even better, with eleven shutouts of her own and an unheard of 0.40 GAA. St-Pierre may sound familiar to you; she backstopped Canada to 2002 Olympic gold.

"Each team will bring different things to the table. Toronto's always a strong defensive team and they've got a good goalie. They've also got a very fast team compared to most of the teams in the Canada West," said Pandas head coach Howie Draper.

"McGill has got an outstanding goalie. What can you say—she's got like twelve shutouts in a row, so we just have to figure out a way to get the puck by her. We just have to play our kind of hockey, and we'll be successful."

Rounding out the starting six is Saint Mary's Alison Wright with a 1.31 GAA.

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

The tournament has a six-team, two-pool format. Alberta, Lethbridge and Saint Mary's comprise Pool A (clearly the easier of the two), while McGill, Toronto and Regina are in Pool B. Each team will play two games in three days that Thursday to Saturday. The winners of each pool will move on to

the gold-medal game on Sunday evening, which will be aired on TSN.

SHAKEDOWN OF THE TEAMS

#1 Alberta Pandas
(Canada West champions, defending national champions)

Canada West conference record: 19-0-1
Last CIS title: 2002
CIS championship appearance: fifth in six tournaments
Top scorer: Danielle Bourgeois (24G, 26A)

The Pandas picked up right where they left off last year, which is surprising considering the team lost eleven starters from last year's championship squad. Although they have the top two CIS scorers in Danielle Bourgeois and Kristin Hagg, it will be their aggressive two-way defensive core that will determine the Pandas' fate.

#2 McGill Martlets
(QSSF Champions)

QSSF conference record: 17-1-2
Last CIS title: None
CIS championship appearance: fourth
Top scorer: Katherine Safka (15G, 14A)

McGill is the team of destiny this season, having won their first Québec hockey title in 18 years. The team hasn't lost a game since early November; QSSF and CIS MVP Kim St-Pierre has been rock solid in net for the Martlets. On her shoulders, expect the team to go far.

#3 Toronto Varsity Blues
(OJAA Champions)

OJAA conference record: 22-1-2
Last CIS title: 2001



FILE PHOTO: PATRICK KRAY

The Pandas dominate this season, despite losing eleven players from 2001-02.

CIS championship appearance: sixth
Top scorer: Jennie McRae (8G, 16A)

Toronto faces a tough draw in McGill on Thursday night, which will likely determine who makes it to the gold-medal game from Pool B. They've got experience though, having been the only squad to play in all national tournaments so far. Like Bourgeois, Jill Savin won a gold medal with the Canadian women's Under-22 team earlier this year.

#4 Lethbridge Pronghorns
(Canada West berth)

Canada West conference record: 7-9-4
Last CIS title: none
CIS championship appearance: first
Top scorer: Samantha Ward (12G, 7A)

Lethbridge has a fairly young team, and their inexperience might hurt them considering this is their first national championship showing. They're responsible for the only blemish (a tie) on Alberta's otherwise perfect record, which shows they have some talent as well. These will be the final games for veteran defender Michelle Koester.

#5 Regina Cougars
(Host)

Canada West conference record: 14-5-1
Last CIS title: none

CIS championship appearance: third
Top scorer: Brandy West (18G, 13A)

The Cougars have a very talented team, with Brandy West, Julie Foster, Erin Tady and Elysia Cobblecluck up front and Joell Fiddler on defence. The fact they are the host team makes them even more dangerous. They've drawn the more difficult pool, however, which might make the path to the final treacherous.

#6 St Mary's Huskies
(AUS Champions)

Canada West conference record: 14-0-0
Last CIS title: None
CIS Championship appearance: second
Top scorer: Lindsay Taylor (15G, 24A)

Even though St Mary's has a perfect record, what does it say about their level of competition in the AUS when they are still ranked last in the tournament? The Huskies can score though, with rookie Lindsay Taylor finishing third in the CIS, followed by teammate Kerrie Boyle. They will have a tough battle in their opening game against Alberta.

THESE ARE ANNOUNCEMENTS REGARDING THE GATEWAY

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The Gateway is now accepting applications for the position of **Editor-in-Chief** for the 2003-2004 publishing year. The term runs from **1 May 2003** to **30 April 2004** and pays \$400 per month from September to April. Applicants must be registered in the equivalent of at least one (1) course for credit at the University of Alberta during each term of the Fall and Winter sessions of their term in this position, must be available to **work varying hours**, must have **computer skills**, are preferred to have been a **Gateway editor** in the previous year, and should possess the ability to deal effectively with Students' Union, and University staff, students and the general public. **Applicants should submit a covering letter, resume and portfolio to the Gateway Business Manager (Don Iverson, 492-6669, b3i@gateway.ualberta.ca) by noon on Friday 7 March 2003. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for an interview.** Job descriptions for these positions are available at www.gateway.ualberta.ca/hiring/ (please note that job descriptions may change slightly).

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DAVID ZEIN

The NHL gossip wire

Chury speculates on the possibilities leading up to this year's trade deadline



Ramblings from
Moosie Lodge

When your team has been out of the playoffs since November, as my Calgary Flames have been, it makes this time of year especially hard. Next Tuesday is the NHL's trade deadline, and there are lots of possibilities, as playoff-bound teams are set to start renting players for their drive.

Each year comes and goes complete with the hype of huge moves, and major face changes for each team. A large trade could change how each playoff match-up plays out. Last year, the Flyers gave up many first-round picks in order to get playmaking centre Adam Oates out of Washington. This year Oates is a malling player in Anaheim.

So what does this season have for potential renters and renters?

Riosinis is in money trouble, and has a very big commodity in goaltender Sean Burke. This year looks to be a seller's market, thus Burke should fetch the Coyotes a big return. The team that looks to be in the biggest need of a goaltender is St. Louis, who has injuries hampering their nets, and truly hasn't found a legitimate starter in years. Something must be brewing

in Blues country as they didn't bite on the possibility of Arturs Irbe, who was put on waivers recently. Given Irbe's playoff performance last year, the Blues must be holding out for a future trade that will help them in the future.

This year, the Oil are holding on by a small margin for the eighth and final playoff spot in the western conference. Given the hesitant nature of GM Kevin Lowe, I don't see any major shake-ups on their front.

With the talk of Jarome Iginla being traded finally dying down, the big sniper up for grabs is Sharks' power forward Owen Nolan.

Editor's note: Nolan was traded last Wednesday to the Toronto Maple Leafs for Allyn McCauley, Brad Boyes and a first round draft pick in the 2003 entry draft.

The big trades are always hyped, but very rarely are there trades on deadline day that really knock spectators' socks off. Oiler fans were given relief last season when they acquired speedy winger Mike York from the Rangers

in exchange for grinder Rem Murray, and ill-favoured defenceman Tom Poti. This year, the Oil are holding on by a small margin for the eighth and final playoff spot in the western conference. Given the hesitant nature of GM Kevin Lowe, I don't see any major shake-ups on their front.

The return of hockey-haired Ryan Smyth Tuesday night gave the team a boost to overcome the nine-game winless streak that occurred immediately after his injury.

Last season was also marred by two misfired trades that didn't go through because of fax machine error. One trade involved Toronto Maple Leaf Jorus Hoglund going to Boston. What I found amusing was that these deals had to be submitted by fax to the league office. How could the trade be misused by a fax machine? Was someone tying up the phone line? Why use a fax at all? I guess e-mail isn't secure enough. Let's hope the fax machine doesn't bugger any moves this year, or else Hoglund might have to endure yet another year as a Leaf.

The trade deadline could be interesting this year. There is enough of a logjam in each conference to make the trading market a busy one. Thankfully, it is the potential of a big trade that makes this upcoming Tuesday intriguing. It gives the fans of loser teams something to get excited about, or at least something interesting to watch—that is, until draft day in Nashville this summer.

2004: time for an NHL makeover

Bigger ice, old-school seedings and recognizing Canada will better the game



MATTHEW
BLACK

Sports
Commentary

With the expiration of the NHL's collective bargaining agreement in 2004, change is surely afoot. Hopefully, the owners and the players' association will take the opportunity to remedy what has become, at times, a boring game.

First, the league should mandate that all rinks switch to Olympic-sized ice. The NHL surface is simply too small to host twelve big players. Further, bigger ice would probably bring more goals.

Owners will likely oppose this change on the grounds that removing seats, to accommodate the ice, will cost them too much revenue. But since most NHL teams don't sell out every night anyhow, losing two rows of seats might not be such a terrible loss.

Second, the playoff system needs to be changed. I'm sick of the Oilers meeting either Dallas or Colorado every year, and wouldn't mind seeing an eastern conference team come playoff time. A change back to the old system of seeding the top eight teams in each conference on a one-to-sixteen basis would eliminate the east/west disparity and ensure that the best two teams (not the best eastern team versus the best western team) meet in the final. Not to mention the fact that the new system could spawn interesting rivalries (Edmonton versus Montreal, or Toronto perhaps) while still leaving the door open to traditional inter-conference rivalries, like the Oil versus the Stars.



OH CANADA We are hockey. Period.

The regular-season overtime rules also need to be changed. The current four-on-four system should be maintained, but without the bonus point for losing in OT. Four-on-four, particularly on bigger ice, would result in more wins anyhow.

Finally, and least likely to happen, the NHL should recognize Canada as the home of hockey, and act accordingly. Miami and Raleigh are simply not hockey markets, as shown by their empty arenas.

Further, in accordance with Don Cherry, the instigator rule must go.

Although it curbs fighting as a means of settling differences, it has the unintended side effect of leading to more severe cross-checks and slashes (à la Marty McSorley) as a means of retribution. The hurry-up faceoffs currently used by the league do enough to limit fighting anyway. Without the instigator, only the big boys would duke it out, leaving the skill players to their game.

Finally, and least likely to happen, the NHL should recognize Canada as the home of hockey, and act accordingly. Miami and Raleigh are simply not hockey markets, as shown by their empty arenas. On the other hand, Winnipeg or Québec City would surely welcome back the NHL, and the best western team would be their populations.

The league has gone back into previously failed venues, like Denver, Atlanta, and Minnesota, so maybe coming back to Canada isn't all that far-fetched. The league must recognize that north of the border is where the popularity of hockey truly lies.

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President

Geneva Rae

According to some guy named **Alan Kay**, "the best way to predict the future is to invent it," and apparently this is what Geneva is going to do. That's right, folks: she's not going to be like every other hack in hackville. In fact, she doesn't even want to effect change in the Students' Union. Nope, she's going to **invent the future**. How does one do this, you might ask? No, not with a time machine, silly. By fighting for accessibility of education and the environment, of course! I don't think the **U-Pass** is really going to fix the swelling bedore of student poverty, or make me breakfast for that matter. Maybe this campaign is pretty innovative for someone who doesn't even consider herself a politician.

Oh, and by the way Geneva, if you hate being called a politician so much, why exactly are you running for the top job in the Students' Union? For **money**? For **fame**? For **power**? Sounds like a politician to me.

Mat Brechtel

Hey, look everybody! It's Mat. **'dreamy eyes'** Brechtel, and he wants to be our SU President! Isn't that **cute**? Apparently he wants to create an engaged, active, and inclusive campus and the best way to do this is by implementing the much-discussed print-on-demand initiative. Ah, cheap textbooks. That's so engaging. So **active-inducing**. So **inclusive**.

As VP (Academic) this year, Mat tells us the progress he made was possible because he "concentrated on specific, attainable goals." I'm glad **Career and Life Management class** really made a difference in your life, Mat. Give the man a gold star! Way to avoid controversy by focusing on tiny things. What exactly is the vision you're taking realistic steps towards anyway, Mat? I don't think you ever got around to mentioning that part of the plan while lounging in those **millionaire** sweat pants.

Steve Smith

Well Steve, you have some good ideas, but your frightening lack of **charisma** makes this all irrelevant in the grand scheme of things. Who do I want calling the shots? How about someone who actually **drinks and plays pool**? You know, your campaign actually seemed half interesting until you admitted you don't like fun. What exactly does one do if they don't drink or play pool? Seriously. Operate the finances of the SU? Yep, I know I've always wanted an accountant to represent my interests. I hear they're honest... and **fun** too!

Also, in being as **pragmatic and waffly** as possible, you had no strong campaign to stand on. The plain stuff worked last year, but it just looks **shabby** this year. Stay behind the scenes if you want to get things done, fun hater.

Mike Reid

Torn between catering to the effeminate **16-year-old** demographic and the "I've already finished two degrees but for some reason I can't bring myself to move on" demographic, Mike Reid is a politician's politician. Seriously. **Trusted? Respected? Experienced?** Well, I guess that's better than a president who is **dishonest, hated, and inexperienced**, but maybe you should have picked three buzzwords that make you sound less like a consulting firm. You know, **think outside the box**. He's running on the Reform party's platform from 1993: populist approach (talking to the people), credibility, and conservatism. Why doesn't Mike run for public office? He'd probably have a better chance and a much bigger audience to talk down to.

Personally we wouldn't trust anybody who spent the last year at the most thankless, underpaid (read: no salary) job on campus as a **BOG** representative. Why would anybody want to do this if they didn't have to? Connections in the business world will get you far if you ever get out of here and become a real engineer or lawyer, but I'm pretty sure the last thing most students want is an SU President who knows how to suck corporate wank.

Ryan Adam

Hey! Ryan Adam wants to develop a more effective relationship with the provincial government. He wants to improve the **environmental quality** of the university! He wants to increase student knowledge of where their money is going! He's a frat boy! Who would have thought we'd have someone like this running for president? Mat... oops, Ryan, will be just like every other Joe Hack who's held this job, only **more boring**.

He wants to get rid of **activism** to a tone of "moderation and responsibility." Sure, let's get rid of activism! That sure didn't work to get the U of A tuition increase onto the front page of the *Edmonton Journal* this year! That sure didn't get the SU noticed by just about everyone, whether it was controversial or not! If we want to destroy the positive momentum from this year, let's be moderate! Oh, and he wants to "keep the University Board of Governors accountable to the students." Uh huh. The **BOG** isn't about being accountable to the students; it's about being accountable to the province of Alberta and the public interest in the direction of the University. Good luck keeping tuition down by telling them they need to **capitulate** to all our demands.

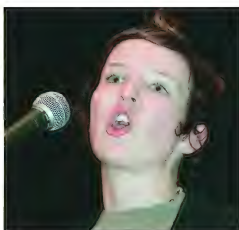
Suddenly **Mike Hudema** isn't looking so bad...

George Slomp

George claims to be the "antidote" for our University's **"illness."** He claims building igloos alleviates depression. Well, the man even admitted to taking an axe in the forehead when he was two years old. It's all starting to make sense.

This man wanted to donate his hair to **make wigs** for cancer patients. This man fell asleep on his feet in the middle of a forum. This man is in fourth year and **still** lives in residence. Seriously man! Slomp's platform is far

Photos Patrick Finlay, Lauren Jennings, Shawn Benbow, Phil Head



too **idealistic**. If he were running for high-school presidency he might be better suited. He wants to convince society and the business sectors to lower our tuition. He wants theatre events in community buildings. He wants national representation with other schools. How are you going to do all that George? Bring out an **axe** at the forums? Sacrifice **kittens** to the tuition gods?

VP Academic

Matt Robertson

I would consider voting for this candidate. I really would. The problem is that the core of his platform is aimed at battling the cost of **textbooks**. Good luck with that, champ. I've heard this promise in years passed and you know what's happened? That's right. Textbooks still cost more than a **Beverly Hills call girl**. Never mind the fact that you diverted the concern of rising tuition by regurgitating previous candidate's plans for print-on-demand. Sorry Matt, but I'm not seeing how slightly less-expensive books, even if you could accomplish that, are going to help me out with anything but providing me with more tests to prop up your **coffee table**.

Four out of five **dentists** agree that your smile might win you a sympathy beer at the PowerPlant when you lose.

Janet Lo

Janet would probably be a great candidate for the Academic position if she weren't completely **naïve**. Let's create scholarships to help students. With what money, **genius**? You know how tuition's going up, and most university services are in financial straits? Oh, you don't? **Surprise!** Apparently you're also going to be a better professors and TAs by implementing teaching programs for them. That's awesome, but, good luck getting overworked profs to give up time to learn to teach better and selling all those magic beans to raise the funds for such a pipe dream.

Janet also wants to **examine registry** created coal midterms and final exams are accessible through the **SU Awesome** idea. Too bad it already exists. Been to www.sualberta.ca/su/businesses_and_services/info/news/examsonline lately? How are you going to make it better **JLo**? Provide the answers to the exams we're gonna take?

Chris Jones

Chris Jones knows all about policy. He's a rep-resentative of the **engineers** on Students' Council for years now, and he's one of the most vocal student councillors. He's also a **complete ass**. Jones should have realized last year that slugging his running mates, while not mentioning a single point from his platform didn't win him any **popularity** contests. You did the same thing last year, Jones, and you lost the election. Didn't you learn anything? I guess history's doomed to repeat itself.

Chris also wants to engage students in the politics of the SU by "going downstairs, just **chilling**, seeing what's up, and letting people come and talk to [him]." That's a great idea! Everyone on campus must know exactly who you are and would totally come up to you to gab about the latest General Faculties Council happenings. Being a **lazy creep** gawking at first years studying in SUB isn't going to solve **apathy**. It's just going to make you look lonely.

Vivek Sharma

Vivek believes in a lot of things. Unfortunately he doesn't seem to believe in standing for anything. The only thing we were able to glean from his ramblings was that he thinks the **Internet** will solve all of students' problems. If we'd known that, I'd have downloaded some money to my desktop to play for tuition last September! According to Sharma, we're going to be getting all our notes posted on course websites. I'm sure every professor will totally have no problem with that. And real-time chatrooms? No thanks, I'd rather **troll the Yahoo! Literati classrooms** for love than converse with people in my classes! I'd also try to avoid having contact with you for three hours a week. I think it's time to move out of your parents' basement, give up the **SimCity** obsession with campus, and figure out no one uses the Internet for anything except **pornography**.

Trevor Miller

Trevor doesn't have a **leg** to stand on. And neither does his platform. Spewing vague platitudes and randomness doesn't do anything to strengthen your platform. Gumption and **elbow grease** was what was needed during the Depression. A successful candidate requires more than a beard and a promise of increased happiness for all students. Why is your election literature filled with anecdotes about growing up in rural Alberta? As VP (Academic), are you going to get new **cow-tipping** classes added?

Miller also claims he intends to get on Beartracks "like a **fat kid** on a cheeseburger". What does that even mean? Oh, and he is also for more scholarships. How are we going to get the money for that, Trevor? **Bale sales**? **Rodeos**? **Grassed-pig riding** contests? He plans to solve the long list of vital general Academic concerns from previous years by "knocking those things off the list." How is he going to accomplish all that, you ask? Well with the **repulsively** well thought out plan of "getting these things done." Looks like you've sure done your research. Or, were you too busy **"with the sheep"** to bother looking into absolutely anything?

BoG Representatives

Roman Kotovych

Roman Kotovych's resumé is definitely extensive. Too bad his campaign isn't. Roman seems hell-bent on **regurgitating** campaigns of years passed: voice student concerns? That's what the job is supposed to be all about; it shouldn't be a campaign promise. So just what are you going to do, Roman?

The list goes on, but what he's essentially **promising** is to fulfill the requirements of his job description. We need someone on BoG who can go above and beyond, Roman. Old-time posters and old-time promises won't get you anywhere in this race.

Scott Winder

Scott Winder promises to "raise awareness" on the tuition debate. Whose **awareness**? Is he going to go to **Popotown, USA**, and tell **John Paul II** about the plight of U of A students? Raising awareness is terrific. Scotty. But most of the concerned parties are painfully aware that tuition is too high already. If you're a student and don't already know your tuition is high, that's comparable to not knowing a **pitbull** is gnawing off your balls.

Oh, and he wants to preserve green space by stopping the University from expanding and creating an

Office of Environmental Sustainability. Hey Scott, in case you hadn't noticed, our campus is in the middle of the city. If you want to have picnics, **frolf with bunnies** and enjoy nature, then go ride some buffalo at **Eik Island**. Even their cat-sized dung piles aren't as smelly as your campaign.

VP Student Life

Blair Dent

Like we need one more Blair to disagree with on campus. **Jesus Christ**, man, is that your real hair in your campaign literature? Actually, that's probably a bad question, as there likely isn't a right way to answer that. If it is, well, it would be cruel of us to mock it. But if it's just a wig, that means you think mullet jokes are still "cutting edge" and "funny" (PS: they're not). But almost as stupid as your **hair** is your platform: U of A-style parties and things at the Bookstore? Like you'd ever get to see them in action anyway. Three bands at one WOW dance? Why the hell not? Something's got to fill up that empty space where the students should be. Your concept of **beach-themed events** is admittedly original, but you forgot one tiny thing: it's totally fucking cold in Edmonton. All the time.

Really, it's a shame you seem to think the VPS's portfolio will consist entirely of planning awesome parties and making sexy underwear, let's hope you don't get the job to find out there's a **fuck** of a lot more boring stuff to do, like ignored by everyone for the eight longest months of your life.

Matt Oberhoffner

"Before I get started on talking about my campaign platform, first I'd like to waste two minutes of my time up on stage **giggling my pants** about how fucking great the Bears are at everything, except school or football! Who! WHOOO!" Say it for the crew back at **Delta Gamma Whatever**, in case you haven't noticed, no one else gives a shit.

Oh and by the way, the problem with attendance at Antifreeze and WOW events isn't a lack of awareness—they're just **shitty events**. Most people know instinctually to avoid them, like they avoid forest fires, or **Russian war camps**. In the future, which surely won't involve student politics, you should maybe think about the possibility of addressing some actual issues without sounding like an idiot. But thanks for wasting our precious time anyway. And hey, if you love the **Bears** so much, why don't you go take a shower with them?

Jadene Mah

Thanks to the rampant crappiness of your opponents, you seemed to have the whole race for VP (Student Life) sewn up—then you started talking. Holy fuck, Jadene! Do you always **scream like a cat** with its tail stuck in a vacuum cleaner when you talk, or just when you're trying to impress people? Merely the thought of hearing your haunting **shriek** pierce the air as I walk past yet another stupid, unattended SU function in QUAD makes me want to throw my ballot into the **sun**.

You've sure got a lot of great ideas, too; it's just a shame you're spewing the same **bullshit** and empty promises as every other failed VPSL before you. Make PowerPlant a good ball Challenge rent and parking fees! Make WOW not stupid! Throw a tea party with **Hitler** on the moon! Whatever. See you in a year when you care as little as everyone else.

VP Operations and Finance

Tyler Botten

One of the most important characteristics of a VP (Ops and Finance) is that they know how to save students' money. So Tyler, could you please explain to us why you've spent **\$554.50** of our allotted **\$600** of campaign money (our money, I might add) when you're going to be acclaimed anyway? You could have spent one dollar, bought a **stink bomb**, set it off in HUB at noon and then punched God in the face and still gotten the same stupid, thankless job you've somehow managed to convince yourself you want.

Also, I know **charisma** isn't a requirement for this portfolio, but that doesn't mean you have to go out of your way to be as apallingly dull as possible. Oh, and if you're going to the bar, **go to drink**, not to work on your laptop. What are you working on anyway? Plans for a new **haircut**? Now that's something we could get behind. Really.

VP External

Chris Samuel

Ah, Chris Samuel. We love reading through your list of "things I've done." Sat on lots of committees, have you? Four of the six major boards in the SU? Sounds like the same **resumé padding** so many of us did throughout high school to prove to the scholarship people that we were go-getter community types. We're not fooled. You're making busy work sound like real activities. Working on the **High School Leadership Conference**, eh? Crucial. You've got practiced perkiness. That really wins our vote.

Should we really elect you to add just another shiny **medallion** to your pile, so you can do a lot more busy work and pass it off as real representation? By the way, bringing back the **grape tables** are also a dumb idea. So is the fact you answered our question about what to do with a million dollars by saying you'd eat Kraft dinner and buy your mom a house. Way to show concern for the students, fucko.

Bequie Laker

So you want to build a coalition of students and educators... from preschool to PhD? A bunch of screaming **toddlers** fighting for post-secondary education isn't exactly the image we want to present. Oh wait— isn't that what the SU does already? Increasing representation on the BoG is totally useful too. Now we can insist on having three people who get outvoted on everything, and one more whiny person for the BoG to **cringe** at and avoid listening to! Holding the BoG accountable is also **brilliant**. They're accountable to the people of Alberta. Even still, how do you plan to make them care about what you think? Are you going to ride around the meetings on your **eco-friendly bicycle**, tooting the horn and make them tremble brackets? That's totally going to get them working for you!

Both of these candidates are so alike it's **silly**. Same tuition freeze, same loan program demands, same need for a bond with the electorate, same promises to fight **deregulation**. It's the **Bush/Gore** vote of 2000—we can't figure out which one is which, and it doesn't matter who you vote for in the end, they'll probably do the same things. Except, of course, our VP (External) likely won't **bomb Iraq** into the stone age.



Students' Union Employment Opportunities

TERMS OF OFFICE: 1 May 2003 to 30 April 2004 (in most cases)

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Wednesday, 12 March 2003, 5:00 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS.

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IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS

Please submit only single sided documents. We thank everyone who applied, however ONLY shortlisted and successful applicants will be notified.

Please be available for the noted interview time.

Applicants must be undergraduate students and have paid full Students' Union fees.

Positions subject to Council ratification and signing of employment contract.



Academic Affairs Coordinator

Reports to the VP Academic. Assists and reports on various academic issues — coordinating projects related to academic affairs. Represent the VP Academic and serve as the resource person for the AAB, GFSC and student reps on University committees. This position requires a minimum of 20 hours per week in office time.

Remuneration: \$1098/month May-Aug
\$961/month Sept-April

For further information contact the VP Academic.

Interviews scheduled for Wednesday, March 26, starting at 8:00 p.m.

Athletic Campus Events Coordinator

Reports to the VP Student Life. Works on programming component relating to U of A Athletic Events. Term of this position may be August 15/03-Nov. 30/03 and Jan2/04-March 31/04. Requires a minimum average of 20 hours per week in office time. Please note: Position is currently under review and may not be renewed for the coming year

Remuneration: \$892/month
For further information contact the VP Student Life
Interviews Thursday March 27, starting at 7:00 p.m.

Community Relations Coordinator

Reports to the VP External. Assists with organization of on and off-campus events designed to introduce members of the community and prospective students to the Students' Union and the University of Alberta. This position requires a minimum of 20 hours per week in office time.

Remuneration: \$1098/month May - August
\$961/month Sept. - April

For further information contact the VP External.

Interviews scheduled for Thursday March 27, starting at 5:00 p.m.

Student Activities Coordinator

Reports to the VP Student Life. Assists with the programming and the volunteer management components of the VP Student Life's portfolio. This position requires a minimum of 20 hours per week in office time.

Remuneration: \$1098/month May - August
\$961/month Sept. - April

For further information contact the VP Student Life.

Interviews scheduled for Thursday, March 27, starting at 5:00 p.m.

Recording Secretary

Required to attend and record accurate minutes of all Students' Union Council meetings. Must type minutes on a Mac within a designated time frame.

Qualifications:
Must have experience minute taking, know Roberts' Rules of Order and parliamentary procedure.

Remuneration: \$79.95/meeting
For further information contact Catherine van de Braak at 492-4241.
Interviews are scheduled for Thursday March 20, starting at 4:00 p.m.

Speaker of Students' Council

Reports to Students' Council. Must have experience chairing meetings and a strong working knowledge of Roberts' Rules of Order. Chairs all meetings of Students' Council in accordance with Roberts' Rules of Order and the Standing Orders of Students' Council.

Remuneration: \$130.00/meeting
For further information contact the President.
Interviews scheduled for Friday March 28, starting at 7:00 p.m.

Chief Returning Officer

Reports to the President of the Students' Union and oversees all electoral logistics. Must be familiar with election process and bylaws. Excellent project management skills are required to succeed in this position.

Remuneration: \$3600 flat rate.
For further information contact the President.
Interviews are scheduled for Tuesday April 1 at 5:00.

ECOS (Environmental Coordination Office of Students) Director*

Reports to Manager of Student Services. Responsible for researching environmental issues within the SU and general University. Will oversee the daily running of the ECOS office in SUB as well as oversee initiatives relating to the environment.

Remuneration: \$800/month. Salary is currently under review.
For further information contact the Manager of Student Services at 492-4236.
Interviews are scheduled for Friday, March 28, starting at 5:00 p.m.

Information Services Director*

Reports to Manager of Student Services. The Information Registries offers a wide variety of services to students via three information booths and a main office. Also operates a TicketMaster outlet and accepts Gateway classified ads from the public.

Remuneration: \$1372/month
For further information contact the Manager of Student Services at 492-4236.
Interviews are scheduled for Monday March 24, starting at 5:00 p.m.

OmbudService Director*

Reports to Manager of Student Services. Must possess strong listening skills and be an effective mediator. Must be familiar with University and Students' Union grievance and appeal procedures, and will represent and advise students on such matters.

Remuneration: \$1318/ month
Term: This position requires a two-year commitment.
For further information contact the Manager of Student Services at 492-4236.
Interviews are scheduled for Monday March 24, starting at 7:00 p.m.

Safewalk Director*

Reports to Manager of Student Services. Work with other units on campus to improve and promote safety. Excellent opportunity to develop volunteer management and administrative skills.

Remuneration: \$1346/ month
For further information contact the Manager of Student Services at 492-4236.
Interviews are scheduled for Thursday March 27, starting at 8:00 p.m.

Student Distress Centre Director*

Reports to the Manager of Student Services. In conjunction with the Distress Line, offers peer counselling, crisis intervention and information/referral services to the campus community. Responsible for the recruitment, training and supervision of the service's volunteers. Must have at least one year of comparable peer-counselling experience.

Remuneration: \$1346/ month
For further information contact the Manager of Student Services at 492-4236.
Interviews are scheduled for Wednesday, March 26 starting at 5:00 p.m.

Student Groups Director*

Reports to the Manager of Student Services. Organize and provide support to a diverse array of student groups as the Director of Student Groups. Provide administration and support to these groups.

Remuneration: \$1152/ month
For further information contact the Manager of Student Services at 492-4236.
Interviews are scheduled for Thursday March 27, starting at 5:00 p.m.

* All Director positions are 25-30 hours per week.

Volunteer Opportunities Boards & committees

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STUDENTS' UNION BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS BOARD

- requires 6 student-at-large members
- makes recommendations to Students' Council on academic issues
- assists and advises the Vice-President Academic
- deals with activities relating to student awareness of academic issues
- administers Students' Union Awards

For further information contact the VP Academic

Interviews scheduled for Friday, April 11, starting at 5:00 p.m.

ACCESS FUND COMMITTEE

- requires 3 student-at-large members
- deals with eligibility guidelines, setting the number and value, and actual handing out of Students' Union Access Fund bursaries
- will also work on the marketing aspect of the Access Fund

For further information contact the VP Operations & Finance

Interviews scheduled for Friday, April 11, starting at 8:00 p.m.

AWARDS COMMITTEE

- requires 4 student-at-large members
- determines the recipients of the Students' Union Involvement Awards

For further information contact the VP Academic

Interviews scheduled for Monday, April 14, starting at 5:00 p.m.

EUGENE L. BRODY FUNDING COMMITTEE

- requires 5 student-at-large members
- determines Students' Union financial donations to various charitable or relief projects.

For further information contact the VP External

Interviews scheduled for Monday, April 14, starting at 5:00 p.m.

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS BOARD

- requires 6 student-at-large members
- creates and coordinates projects on campus concerning various issues of interest and concern
- makes recommendations to Students' Council on political issues

For further information contact the VP External

Interviews scheduled for Friday, April 11, starting at 5:00 p.m.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS BOARD

- requires 4 student-at-large members
- sets guidelines for the SU preliminary budget
- prepares the SU final budget for Students' Council
- considers financial matters which relate to the SU

For further information contact the VP Operations & Finance

Interviews scheduled for Friday, April 11, starting at 5:00 p.m.

GOLDEN BEAR AND PANDA LEGACY FUND COMMITTEE

- requires 2 student-at-large members
- determines the allocation of the funds to varsity teams and student groups on the basis of need

For further information contact the VP Operations & Finance

Interviews scheduled for Monday, April 14, starting at 5:00 p.m.

CAMPUS RECREATION ENHANCEMENT FUND

- requires 2 student-at-large members
- determines the allocation of funds to Campus Recreation related programs, equipment, and facilities on the basis of need

For further information contact the VP Operations & Finance

Interviews scheduled for Monday, April 14, starting at 8:00 p.m.

INTERNAL REVIEW BOARD

- requires 2 student-at-large members
- continually reviews existing bylaws and operating policies
- monitors the operations of the Students' Union
- directs and recommends action in form of bylaws or policies

For further information contact the President

Interviews scheduled for Tuesday, April 15, starting at 5:00 p.m.

PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

- requires 5 student-at-large members
- makes recommendations regarding SU entertainment events and programs
- provides reports to Students' Council regarding SU events & activities.

For further information contact the VP Student Life

Interviews scheduled for Monday, April 14, starting at 5:00 p.m.

STUDENT GROUPS COMMITTEE

- requires 5 student-at-large members
- considers grants for financial assistance from SU student groups
- selects student groups to receive work for the SU-sponsored events and Dinwoodie Lounge
- advises the Director of Student Groups on all matters concerning clubs registered to the Students' Union

For more information, contact the Student Groups Director at 492-9789

Interviews scheduled for Tuesday, April 15, starting at 5:00 p.m.

STUDENT LIFE BOARD

- requires 6 student-at-large members
- makes recommendations and raises awareness of non-academic University issues
- monitors and provides direction to RHA, Programming and WOW Planning Committee

For more information, contact the VP Student Life

Interviews scheduled for Friday, April 11, starting at 5:00 p.m.

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENTS

COMMITTEE ON OCCUPATIONAL

HEALTH & SAFETY & ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

- requires 1 undergraduate student
- to recommend policy and serve as the focal point for consideration of policy issues to the University community
- to receive reports from the Committee of Bio-Safety and Radiation Control, admin. units, and committees with related issues and programs

Meets: At the call of the Chair

ONECARD ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- requires 1 undergraduate student to provide valuable feedback and guidance on all aspects of the current and future ONECARD operations.

Meets: At the call of the Chair

For further information on Standing Committees contact the VP Academic.

Interviews to be scheduled for Monday, April 14, starting at 8:00 p.m.

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA SENATE

- requires 4 undergraduate students appointed by the Students' Union
- the Senate's responsibility is to inquire into any matter that may enhance the image of the University and act as a link between the University and the public. The Senate may also authorize the conferring of Honorary Degrees.

Meets: Four times yearly

For further information contact the VP External

Interviews scheduled for Monday, April 14, starting at 8:00 p.m.

SOCIAL INTERCOURSE

Big John Bates and the Voodoo Dollz
NewCity/Ulwick Lounge
Thursday, 6 March at 9pm

Big John Bates is out to get you. He wants to make you see his show, because after you see it, no preacher will be able to save you.

He also notes that the show is filled with sweat, large-breasted women and lots of pyrotechnics. Personally, in this era of Great White toastiness, I would be wary of firing fireworks inside a club, but what do I know?

Bates performs his fiery mixture of punk and rockabilly with his band the Voodoo Dollz, named so as not to get sued.

Vote in the SU elections

Almost every building on campus
Thursday, 6 March as soon as possible

You lazy fuckers who haven't voted need to go out and vote. Stop reading the paper right now, get off your ass and walk across the building over to the ballot box. I'm sure you only need to go about 20 feet. That's like 65 metres! Of course if you're so lazy that you haven't even educated yourself on the candidates, you really should just keep wallowing in your own apathy, idiot.



Adam West as Buh-buh-buh-Batman

Return to the Batcave:
The Misadventures of Adam and Burt
CBS

Sunday, 9 March at 9pm

ZAPI BIFI ZOW! KAPOW! Adam West and Burt Ward return for some more tight, tight, vaguely homoerotic crime-fighting in *Return to the Batcave: The Misadventures of Adam and Burt*.

Apparently, there's a nefarious scheme to steal the Batmobile and only Adam and Burt can save the day. The whole idea is about as sketchy as *Batman's* recently released autobiography *My Life in Tights* (very sketchy, in case you're wondering).

I don't know about you, but I'll be sure to tune in.

Henry Rollins

The Wisppear Centre
Monday, 10 March at 7pm

Are you ready to rock? Well don't go to Henry Rollins show on Monday, then, because it's going to just be him talking.

If you do want to listen to what he's going to say, however, go on in. He will probably talk about his book company 2-13-61 (his birthday), his writing, and maybe even some of his experiences in *Black Flag* and the *Rollins Band*.

You could also tell him you think he sold out by being on *TLC's Full Metal Challenge* with Junkyard Wars creator/host Cathy Rodgers, and he'll probably rip off your junk.

DANIEL KASZOR
Circulation Manager

Oops!

In Issue 37, "Photoshock their work" mentioned a photograph taken by Maylene Loveland called "Numbed Figures." The photo was in fact taken by Desolie Gossen, and is called "numbed figures."

The photo caption on the same story should have named both Maylene Loveland and Desolie Gossen as the owners of the pictured works.

Our bad!

Nevertheless wanted it done, so they did it themselves

Nevertheless

with the *Franklins* and the *Metric System*
the *PowerPlant*
Saturday, 8 March

KRIS BEREZANSKI
Arts & Entertainment Writer

Four months off can either make or break a band. In the case of *Nevertheless*, it looks like a bright year ahead. Composed of Ed Trela (guitar), Leith Brownridge (bass) and Shawn Jaggard (drums), *Nevertheless* is an instrumental trio that's been around since late 1998 and have affirmed their place in the Edmonton punk/hardcore/metal scene with the release of a split CD with *Change Methodical* called *The Static Project* in 2001. With the official launching of *Method:records* and a new EP and tour to follow, *Nevertheless* should be able to take advantage of the prospects of 2003.

Method:records was conceived in 2001 as a means for the band to release their own album. It was created because of the lack of independent labels and the abundance of great bands in Edmonton.

"I wanted to see it flourish more and get bands including ourselves out there in Canada and the rest of the world," Brownridge laments. *Method:records* houses *Nevertheless*, still-frame and *Fractal Pattern* and is currently working to release a six-track EP from *Locals Hills Have Eyes*.

Despite the recent concentration on the label, *Nevertheless* is preparing to record and tour. A new EP is in the works and will hopefully be released by the summer, says Trela.

"We've been caught in a slump for writing songs. Obviously it doesn't help us out when your drummer is in Port Mac," states Trela, refer-



THEY ENJOY ROCK NEVERTHELESS Ed Trela, Shawn Jaggard, and Leith Brownridge playing live.

ring to Jaggard not wanting to pass up a lucrative job offer. "Ideas are starting to come. It takes forever to write a song, and we want every song to be the best it can be."

Nevertheless is not one to throw away old ideas either.

"We've been working on one song, 'Long Song,' for almost two years now, and there's still a lot more to that song. It's going to be epic," says Trela, though their last EPs are not representative of what they are working on now as a band.

While the members of *Nevertheless* are highly motivated by political and environmental issues, Brownridge ascertains that their music does not deal with issues firsthand.

"I think there is definitely emotion in our songs; there are builds and drops, explosions and hulls but because it takes so long to write songs, I can't say a song was inspired by this one idea. It

was inspired by music," says Brownridge.

As an instrumental band, it's very difficult to get a political message across, which sometimes leads the band to include samples of reactionary speeches as a prequel or epilogue to songs and concerts.

But speeches aren't the only words the band uses in its songs. Occasionally, the band encourages fans to get up on stage and sing/scream along to the music. Sometimes the vocals amaze the band and the possibility of an open mic song appearing on the next EP is very high.

Nevertheless is looking forward to playing shows again, and they remain confident that this year will be the best for the band. They have been in charge of themselves since their inception and, as Brownridge explains, "If you want something done you gotta do it yourself sometimes."



WHATTHOO TALKIN' 'BOUT WILLIS? Bruce Willis plays a Navy SEAL hero, and rescues Monica Bellucci from certain doom in *Tears of the Sun*.

Tears of the Sun an 'inspiration' to viewers

Tears of the Sun

Directed by Antoine Fuqua
Starring Bruce Willis
and Monica Bellucci
Now playing

ASIA SZKUDLAREK
Arts & Entertainment Writer

While most of my female friends cringe at the thought of military action-type movies, I seem to harbour a magnetic attraction towards them. After all, what better way to get that adrenaline flowing than all those F-22 fighter jets, Bell OH-58D Kiowa Warrior helicopters, and M249 SAW machine guns? Needless to say, director Antoine Fuqua's newest creation was a welcome indulgence.

Set in the jungle depths of Central Africa, *Tears of the Sun* follows Lt AK Waters (Bruce Willis), a veteran officer of a US Navy SEAL unit, and his

men on their risky operation to rescue Dr Lena Kendrick, a US citizen who runs a mission in the countryside.

Upon arriving at the site, the soldiers find that Dr Kendrick refuses to leave behind the refugees under her care, and insists that all 70 of them be escorted out of the hostile territory along with her. Although his unit's mission goals were clear, the doctor's pleading convinces Lt Waters. He gives in to his conscience and sets out on the tumultuous quest to lead the group of Africans to the safety of neighbouring Cameroon.

The journey takes a sudden twist, however, when the SEALs uncover an unexpected person in their group of refugees—the only son of the assassinated president. Sought after by rebels, the young heir to the presidency now poses a further threat to the collective safety of the group. The movie's suspense reaches its peak when the Americans discover they're being stalked by close

to 300 treed rebel soldiers.

So as not to break from the traditional action-adventure film, the makers of *Tears of the Sun* cast the physically appealing Monica Bellucci to star as the valiant Dr Kendrick. It seems no American-made action movie could go without some aspect of sexuality, and the wide-eyed, pouty-lipped, long-haired Bellucci delivers just that. If the audience isn't impressed by the strength with which she delivers her lines, her unbuttoned shirt, low-cut tank top and glistening skin will surely satisfy.

Tears of the Sun is undoubtedly a highly violent film, but despite its brutality it serves as an inspiration to its audience. Portraying US soldiers from a more human perspective, it demonstrates the American capability of combating evil in our global society, in the wake of recent worldwide anti-American sentiment, this provides a welcome reassurance.

Edmonton hip hop merges with politics on Politic Live's latest cut

From Flipmode to Bob Marley, these boys glean their musical influences from all over the spectrum

Politic Live CD release party

with Shortound and Echo
4Play (10338 - 81 Avenue)
Friday, 7 March

ADAM ROZENHART
Entertainment Editor

The Edmonton hip hop scene just got a lot more political. After seven intense months of recording, and a lengthy song-selection process, local hip hop group Politic Live released its debut album *Nocturnity* last week.

The group, composed of brothers Bigga Nohe, Dirt Gritie, and their cousin Arlo "Young Max" Maverick, is excited about the release. And although the record took only seven months to complete, Dirt Gritie says it felt more like a year. After recording about 30 tracks for the album, the list of songs was whittled down to 16 (plus two bonus tracks).

"We tried to keep a good vibe on the whole album," he says. "On some songs, the beats didn't sound good after each other, so we scrapped those."

The album boasts a diverse range of tracks, from the serious and topical lyrics of "What Lies Beneath," a song about police brutality, to the street sounds of "Halfway," a track that pokes fun at "hoes."

"When we talk about those kinds of things, we're doing it in a playful manner," Gritie notes, and adds that there are a lot of "conscious" songs on the record as well.

The boys from Politic Live have been around music all their lives. Gritie recalls a bar that his father had in the basement, which featured a great sound system. The boys grew up listening to the likes of Bob Marley and Al Green, though Gritie adds that he also enjoys the sounds of Nas and



HIP HOP MAVERICKS These three hip hop heroes bring their special brand of lyricism to 4Play this weekend.

Flipmode.

Their love of music, hip hop in particular, has pushed Politic Live to promote themselves despite what appears to be a lull in the local hip hop scene.

"There's a lot of artists in the scene who are doing a lot of things," says Gritie, "but they aren't letting the right people know they're doing it. Right now, there's definitely a scene in Edmonton, but it's just a lazy scene."

Laziness doesn't factor into Politic Live's outlook, however. These boys are playing not just because they love the music, but because they want to be heard. That's where the "Live" in their name comes from. The "Politic" side of the group comes from a desire to rap about meaningful issues, what the bands refers to as the business side of things.

Whichever part of the name you ascribe to, this hip hop group isn't going to be lazy about getting their music out there, even if it means playing music with a mix of the conscious and the street.



TOP 10

- 1 Indian Police World War 4
- 2 Lorrie Matheson You Should Know By Now
- 3 Devilsplender Ring the Bells Cause We're Swinging Hammer
- 4 Bruce McCulloch Drunk Baby Project
- 5 Washboard Hank Hoarsh for Washboard Hank
- 6 Geoff Berner We Shall Not Flag or Fail, We Shall Go on the End
- 7 Elevator Darkness-Light
- 8 Robin Hunter and the Six Foot Bullies Demo
- 9 Jon Langford with the Sadies Mayors of the Moon
- 10 David Cross Shut Up You Fucking Baby

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I used to play a lot of pool. Sadly, I never got particularly good at it on account of a **frank accident** involving a **cue ball**, a **particle accelerator** and a **dirty pair of shorts**. Please don't ask me about it, it's still much too **painful** to even discuss. Anyhow, I had to quit trying to take people's money, and get **honest** work. Before that happened, however, I was hired by the **Gateway**.

I digress. My **dreams** of being a pool **shark** and a professional pool player may have been **dashed**, but **Mars Callahan's** sure haven't. That's where **Pool/Hall Jankies** comes in.

This **hustler** film stars a few notables, including **Christopher Walken**, **Rick Schroder**, and **Chazz Palminteri**. And I'd like to send you to see this movie—I really would. The screening is at the **Horowitz Theatre** on **Tuesday, 11 March at 7pm**. That's a full week and a half before the film is going to be released in theatres.

The catch, however, is that you have to be able to link the image above with a name. Come up to the Gateway offices on 3-04 SUB and **Tell me who that handsome fellow is** and you and a guest will be among the **thorongs** of students cheering on the **eight ballers** next Tuesday.

THE GATEWAY

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Cradle 2 the Grave is just tired action sequences

Cradle 2 the Grave

Directed by Andrzej Bartkowiak
Starring DMX, Jet Li, Anthony Anderson,
and Tom Arnold
Now playing

TOM BARBER
Arts & Entertainment Writer

If the post-modern use of the number "2" in the title isn't enough to convince you to see this film, there's little else that will.

The action is set around jewel thief Anthony Falt (DMX) and his unlikely alliance with Taiwanese Intelligence agent Soo (Jet Li). The plot is simple as the characters race from one clue to next, in an empty effort to find Falt's kidnapped daughter and retrieve a set of precious stones that would serve as her ransom. However, as the plot develops, we learn that the jewels are just a shell for a new form of deadly radiation that rivals Saddam's famed weapons of mass destruction, and the East meets West duo are off to save the world.

While Jet Li has taken the spaghetti-fu stare-down to new levels of absurdity, and DMX adds his own fluff in the form of fantastic costume changes, this film falls flat due to the lack of fresh dialogue and a plethora of tired action sequences. The exchanges between characters are missing any real motivation as actors merely mouth words to one another. DMX is most unconvincing when throwing temper tantrums in his "crib," and does little



"ALL I KNOW IS PAIN" DMX and Jet Li run from, or into, trouble. SUPPLIED: CLAUDETTE BARBUS

to reflect the turmoil of a parent forcefully separated from his only child.

The action throughout the film is weak, and the director is forced to rely on quick jumpcuts in the middle of fight sequences to make up for the amateur skills of his cast. The only two action sequences that merit any mention are the well-publicized chase scene involving an ATV, and Jet Li's cage match with the boys from the Ultimate Fighting Championship. Only when Jet Li is allowed to work with professional fighters do we see the martial art brilliance that he is renowned for. But we're still left with this question: why do bad guys quietly wait for their turn to get beat up by the unassuming little guy?

The women in this film are used as window-dressing, as is typical of the genre: they serve as eye candy to

help keep the 18 to 35-year-old demographic in their seats. And the girl-fight scene at the film's climax will go down in history as the worst femme fisticuffs since Jerry Springer's episode of "Your Boyfriend is Having My Baby!"

But this film isn't all bad. The comedic teaming of Anthony Anderson and Tom Arnold is pure genius. As the two men bumble through the film's climax with a fully-loaded tank, the audience is sent into convulsive peels of laughter. In fact, their final scene together works both as a post-modern deconstruction of the film, and as a pee-your-pants funny clip to resolve the action.

Despite the hilarity of Anderson and Arnold, there isn't enough good action to salvage this film. If you're in doubt about whether to see this film just remember there's a "2" in the title.

Decision Of The Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board



REQUEST TO APPEAL A DECISION BY THE CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER

DATE: Wednesday February 26 2003

D.I.E. BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chris Samuel, Chair, Perry Grewal, Lucas Lau, Debora Philips, Vincent Tong

APPEAL DETAILS:

APPELLANT: Chris Jones

RESPONDENT: Alexandra Taylor, Chief Returning Officer (C.R.O.)

SUMMARY OF ALLEGATION AND RESPONSE:

At the first all-candidates meeting, the C.R.O. stated that any tardiness beyond three minutes of the scheduled start time for the daily campaign meetings will be penalized with a fine of ten dollars. Mr. Jones was three minutes late for a daily campaign meeting and, as a result, was fined ten dollars. Mr. Jones, however, believes that according to Bylaw 2100 Section 40, a candidate can only be fined ten dollars if they fail to attend the daily campaign meeting or if they fail to send a representative. Since Mr. Jones was present for this meeting, albeit late, he believes that the fine should be vacated.

DECISION:

According to Bylaw 2500 Section 5b, the C.R.O. is responsible for the enactment and posting of regulations, as necessary, for any situation not dealt with by Bylaws 2100, 2200, 2400 and 2500. Consequently, the C.R.O. is fully empowered to institute a rule fining individuals for being late to the daily campaign meetings. Since both Mr. Jones and the C.R.O. agree that Mr. Jones was in fact late for the daily campaign meeting, the D.I.E. Board (upholding the ruling of the C.R.O.) finds Mr. Jones to be in breach of the aforementioned rule and thus subject to its penalty. However, the D.I.E. Board believes that the penalty for only being late to a daily campaign meeting should be less than the penalty for completely missing a daily campaign meeting, which is a fine of ten dollars. Also, the D.I.E. Board believes that since Mr. Jones was only three minutes late, his penalty should not be too severe. As a result, the D.I.E. Board penalizes Mr. Jones with a reduced fine of five dollars. For future cases of tardiness, it should be noted that the D.I.E. Board will be inclined to levy higher fines based upon the degree of tardiness.

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Small-market band swims with the big fish

Juliana Theory

with Snapcase and Hopesfall
Red's
Monday, 10 March at 8:30pm

MICHAEL FOWLIE
Arts & Entertainment Writer

Juliana Theory hails from a place on par with any good ol' Western Canadian upbringing. Winter blanketed their streets, mountainous woods stood shadowy outside their town and the ski resorts were a stone's throw away in Latrobe, Pennsylvania. Their hometown even harvests an essential Canadian resource at the Rolling Rock Brewery.

So it comes as no surprise that the conversation with lead singer Brett Detar gravitated towards hockey's dire straits. Unfortunately for both Pennsylvania and Alberta alike, their hometown teams share the heavy burden of small-market franchise struggling to make it. Hell, one could even make the argument that Penguin/Oiler hockey is the indie circuit of hockey, just waiting for a call-up.

Juliana Theory, after two indie records that sold over 150 000 copies, got their call-up to the majors at Epic Records. The resulting record was *Love*, a conceptual album implied by the title.

"Love, or lack of it, is the underlying reason for everything, where there is a hole in one's soul, in their spirit, people will try to fill it with love, so whatever they're doing is affected by the search for love," explained Detar when asked about the album's driving force.

The theme of love, combined with the band's philosophy of "just wanting to write good songs, songs people want to hear again and again, songs they can sing along with," demanded a more emotionally involved approach to writing and recording.

Backstopped by Epic's larger pocket-book, Juliana Theory cashed in and turned to renowned producer and former Talking Head Jerry Harrison. Harrison's biggest contribution to the band was pulling their lead singer's



PENN FARM TEAM? No! It's Juliana Theory, playing Red's this weekend.

voice to the front of the mix. Being in the forefront forced Detar to challenge himself to be more emotional as a singer—to "pour his heart and guts into singing," as he puts it.

With the record tucked neatly into their pocket, the next move was to hit the road. When promoters offered Juliana Theory the chance to leave their footprints north of the 49th parallel for the first time after numerous jaunts around the States, they jumped at it. So far so good, Detar rationalized, as the indie album fans are still coming and the new songs are catching on as sing-alongs become more commonplace as the tour progresses.

However, while the band feels it's

essential they entertain on this tour, current events have prompted the band to change focus a little. Detar especially has taken to making small political statements on stage nightly before playing "Liability," a song concerned with governments being truthful to their citizens. He also has scrawled across his arms the words "WAR KILLS," hoping the simple message will get some minds a-stirring.

These five longtime hockey fans are naturally fueled to rock out while scoring straightforward messages and making sure they pass on more than just entertainment for the fans. Sounds like the traits of a solid player the Oil/Penguins could really use right now.

CULTURA OBSCURA



Mary Mother of Jesus!

NICHOLAS TAM
Arts & Entertainment Writer

The Washington Post calls it "the worst novel ever published in the English language." No doubt this self-published book's sales will soar out of control; it's unavoidable, since it's only sold 400 copies at last count. But could you resist

being a little curious about a magnum opus on the evils of George Dubya's tax cuts?

The premise: to gain voter support for his tax cuts, Bush organizes a parade where the richest people in America march in order of their assets. Then a ragtag band of college students organize a counter-parade funded by Barbara Streisand.

It doesn't sound like a bad idea until you look at the dialogue, such as this reaction to seeing the World Trade Center collapse:

"What an almost unbelievable tragedy! It will take a great resolve to overcome this terrible blow."

"Right on!" concurs the novel's only black character, Jesse Jackson Jones.

You'd think a retired English professor could do a little better, but apparently we'll have to wait for his next novel, which according to Burrows, "will be about Bush's plan to exempt stock dividends in perpetuity from taxes." How thrilling.

By all indications, *Parade* is the perfect Fourth of July gift for the Bush-hating leftists in the family: they'll subsequently convert out of shame. I might even have to read it myself sometime.

SITE UNSEEN



www.meshcap.com

ADAM ROZENHART
Entertainment Editor

Not unlike this article, meshcap.com is short and sweet. An homage to the mesh cap phenomenon, the site features mesh caps, a variety of featured mesh caps, and even an interview on the origins of the fabled head cover.

If you aren't sold yet, how about a variety of mesh caps that you can buy? Keep on truckin'!

BEN HARPER CD LISTENING PARTY



Ben Harper's new record, *Diamonds on the Inside*, is hitting stores next Tuesday. But before that happens, the Gateway and the Students' Union want to give you a sample of things to come. That's why we've scheduled a CD listening party in Dewey's Lounge on Monday. If you join us to hear some of Harper's hot new music, you'll have to chance to win prizes, like copies of the album, CD singles, and other Harper paraphernalia.

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World filmmakers invade Edmonton

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Cinephiles and fair-weather film buffs alike rejoice. This Friday marks the premiere of the Edmonton International Film Festival (EIFF). Besides a plethora of films from all over the world, the seventeenth annual EIFF will feature workshops, panels, and keynote speakers.

Included in the list of speakers will be Billy Boyd (who stars in 8 Scottish Shores), and also played Pippin in the *Lord of the Rings*), and Brad Fraser (director of *Leaving Metropolis*, and writer for *Queer as Folk*). Lucius Barre, a well-known industry publicist whose work includes *Run Lola Run*, *Exotica* and *Atanarjuat*, will also be giving a keynote workshop on international marketing.

However, the festival isn't just about the technical aspects of filmmaking. It's also a place to share experiences through film, and the festival this year boasts a variety of different features and shorts. Whether you're a casual viewer, or a rabid film lover, there's something for everyone at the Edmonton International Film Festival.

Cinemania

Directed by Angela Christlieb
and Stephen Kijak
Starring Jack Angstreich,
Eric Chodbourne, Bill Heidbreder,

Roberta Hill, and Harvey Schwartz
Gareau Theatre
Showing Friday, 8 March at 7pm

So, you think you like movies? You have nothing on these five New Yorkers, all of whom base their schedules and lives around cramming as many film screenings as they can into a single day.



Film buff Jack Angstreich

Cinemania follows five people around New York City as they attend screening after screening, and film festival after film festival to satiate their need to see movies. All of the documentary's subjects are jobless—some collect unemployment, some collect disability, and one of them got an inheritance. While at first their behaviour may seem hilarious and fanatical, it quickly becomes apparent that these folks have serious psychological problems; they live to go to the movies. Without film, they'd be nothing.

Cinephile Roberta Hill has made film a huge part of her life; her

apartment is adorned with presumably thousands of ticket stubs, film festival programs, and other movie paraphernalia. She notes that because her obsession has taken over her life, she expects to be evicted from her apartment. But that doesn't seem to phase her; as long as she crams a bunch of screenings into her day, she feels complete.

Others, like Harvey Schwartz, know the exact length (in minutes and seconds) of hundreds of films. If he notices discrepant information in a film guide, he'll phone the theatre up and let them know about their error.

Perhaps most shocking is the fact that each subject of *Cinemania* was aware of their obsession. They understand they're weird, and that they are stuck in a perpetual cycle of need to see movies.

Despite their foibles and psychological obscurities, these cinephiles all represent, to an extreme, what many of us possess: a desire to enjoy good film, not necessarily because we want to be entertained, but because we see our hopes and dreams reflected in the characters onscreen.

And you thought you liked movies.
—Adam Rozenhart

Edi

Directed by Piotr Trzaskalski
Starring Henryk Golebiowski,
Jacek Braciejowski, Lenartowicz,
Grzegorz Stelmachowski,
and Aleksandra Kisio
Princess Theatre
Showing Friday, 7 March at 7pm

Edi is a quiet, single, middle-aged, unemployed man who, together with



DRINKING BUDDIES Ed and Jureczek take an interesting glance at the Polish lower-class.

his friend Jureczek, picks up scrap around Warsaw to try to make a modest living. He and Jureczek spend their evenings drinking vodka and mostly keeping to themselves. While Jureczek complains and sleeps too much, Ed is mostly content with his humble existence and spends his late nights reading books he's found on the street.

All is well and good until "the brothers," local illegal liquor dealers, decide Edi would make a good tutor for their sister, who they need to graduate from high school so she can front a legitimate liquor operation for them. They reckon Edi is clever enough to teach her, and ugly enough that she won't try anything funny with him. Their plan is proven flawed when their sister gets pregnant.

The first half of the film felt like it took ages and went almost nowhere;

of course, the scene should be set and some characterization should occur, but sometimes it felt like the subtitles just weren't telling the whole story. However, by the end of this film, I was enthralled. About halfway through, the film moves from being an interesting glance at lower-class Poland to an emotional, gritty and refreshing plot.

A great thing about seeing international films, Edi included, is that if they have made it half way across the world, regardless of the low budgets often involved, you know they will be at least good: this film earned accolades in Poland and was the country's official nomination for the 2002 Academy Awards.

Don't be put off by the subtitles, lack of polish (in the shoe sense rather than the nationality), or first half. This film is pure class, and by the end you'll feel like a better person for knowing Edi.

—Peter MacKenzie

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Biggie and Tupac 'questionable'

Obvious bias and conjecture mar an otherwise interesting documentary

Biggie and Tupac

Directed by Nick Broomfield
Starring Nick Broomfield,
Russell Poole, Voletta Wallace,
and Marion "Suge" Knight
Gameau Theatre
Showing Saturday, 8 March at 9:30pm

CHIRS BOUTET
Party Editor



Tupac Shakur and Biggie Smalls' deaths are explored in *Biggie and Tupac*.

Five years ago, rappers Tupac Shakur and the Biggie Smalls were murdered six months apart in Las Vegas and Los Angeles, respectively. At the time, their deaths were shrugged off by authorities as the tragic climax of the bad blood that had grown between the two former friends, fueled by the east-versus-west rivalry that was exploding between recording companies Death Row and its west-coast counterpart, Bad Boy Records. As such, the shootings were never fully investigated and many were left unsatisfied—so leave it up to investigative documentarist Nick Broomfield to try to find some answers.

Don't get me wrong: this film is anything but boring, but perhaps the most incredulous aspect of the biased at times and always sensational *Biggie and Tupac* is the sheer number of red lights British director Nick Broomfield carelessly rolls through in his van on his way to various interviews.

Who knows why—maybe "red" in England means "stop watching the road and yammer on your cellphone some more, you limey bastard"—but seriously, this guy's a road menace. Ah well, at least he's driving on the right side of the road and he didn't smash into a truckful of babies or anything. If he did, they didn't leave it in the film, anyway.

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A trivial observation, sure, but in a sense, Broomfield's driving habits reflect his documentary style. In his

efforts to uncover a perceived massive rap-world conspiracy (that may involve the LAPD) behind Tupac and Biggie's deaths, the director of 1998's sensational shit-fight *Kurt and Courtney* caroms recklessly around the Los Angeles landscape, never sounding like he's completely aware of why he's there or who he's talking to.

Still, he makes the most out of his trademark bewildered-yet-disconcerned interview style, and certainly manages to construct some interesting theories. Unfortunately, theories are all they are, backed up by questionable assumptions and years-old eyewitness testimony. Sure it's entertaining, and it might make you care a little more than the first half-hearted eyebrow you raised when you originally heard the two rappers were shot, but in the end, there's just not enough of a tangible conclusion to warrant the film's two hours of build-up.

Marky Ramone's Canadian tour cancelled

Customs kiboshes Ramone's cross-Canada rock romp

JAMES JOHNSON
Arts & Entertainment Writer

He's a major force in the old-school punk community. He's toured and recorded alongside the newest incarnation of cult favourite goth-punk outfit the Misfits, and original pop-punkers the Ramones. He's done spoken-word tours, and had a speaking role in a movie. And even after 30 years in the industry, he's showing no signs of slowing down. The only thing Marky Ramone can't do, it seems, is get into Canada.

At least his new band, the Speed Kings, can't. Marky Ramone & the Speed Kings were slated to play Red's on 8 March, but due to problems with Canadian Customs (they lacked the appropriate documentation), they were forced to postpone the show. Nevertheless, Marky was not hesitant to speak about his newest project.

The Speed Kings' sound has been described as "hi-octane rock 'n' roll," which Marky is quick to dismiss as just another term for punk. The thing that separates them most, he says, is that the Speed Kings use a more complex chord structure.

It may strike some as odd that the band is called Marky Ramone & the Speed Kings. His only role in the band is to play drums, making the name as ridiculous as Lars Ulrich & the Metallicas.

"The Speed Kings would have a much harder time gaining notoriety without my name in front," says Ramone.

Why a punk rocker would consider notoriety a priority is a mystery. Even desiring more money and prestige for the band itself would go against what the scene stands for. But money isn't exactly the issue. Marky has easily made enough money to retire.

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MARKY RAMONE,
DRUMMER FOR THE SPEED KINGS

"[Making music] was something I always wanted to do," says Ramone. "I don't really enjoy doing anything else. If it wasn't fun, I wouldn't be still doing it."

Sadly, however, Marky Ramone & the Speed Kings won't be doing "it" anywhere near Edmonton for the next while. Stay tuned...



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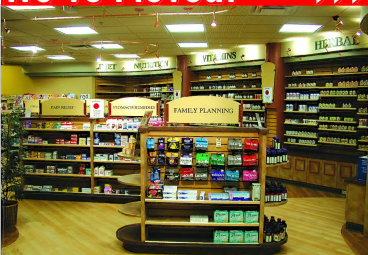


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